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Superpan Press	Very high speed, panchromatic.	125	80	For buildings, especially interiors, children and		F			sports and general photography.
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35mm Fil	m				Triple S	Extreme speed,	200	160	For general use under
Supreme	Panchromatic, fine grain, high speed.	50	32	All purpose film for min- iature users needing fine grain. Special uses in- clude medical, documen-	Pan	panchromatic.	200	100	poor light conditions. Very good with all flash- lamps.
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	H*1			for informal portraits, news and industrial coverage.	Superpan Press	Very high speed, panchromatic.	125	80	Use for general indoor, industrial, news and
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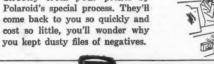
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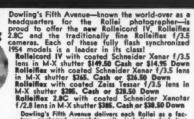
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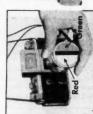
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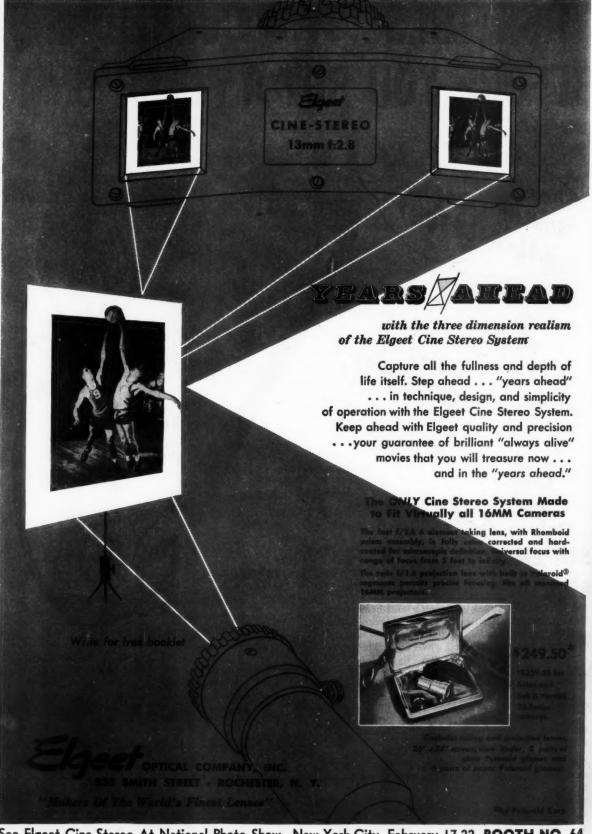
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In your December 1953 issue, on page 59 of the Edward Weston article, a blanket statement was made concerning the fugitive character of color products.

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I have carbro prints which I made 15 years ago and which have been hanging on my wall with no sign of color deterioration. Carbro products have been greatly improved during this period.

On the credit side I find deeply stimulating the pictures by Weston. We should have more of them. A sincere and rousing cheer for Nancy Newhall. She speaks eloquently for fine photography and photographers. There are too few who search out and publicize the best in creative photography. Monterey, Cal. Wynne Bullock

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. . . . As far as the carbro materials manufactured by this company are concerned, the statement by [Nancy Newhall] about carbro is just not so. Our pigments are most carefully chosen for both color correctness and permanence. The colors which we use, and the carbro images made from them, must and will withstand 400 hours of sunlight without any change whatsoever. Anyone who doubts this is welcome to make such a test himself or have the materials tested by any laboratory he may choose.

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THIS MONTH'S COVER . . .

Isabel Bigley, star of the new Rodgers and Hammerstein musical, Me and Juliet, is the subject of this month's photographic cover essay by David Preston.

Preston sought to achieve a poster quality in his picture so that the photograph of Miss Bigley would be visible at a great distance. Poster quality is quite necessary in a magazine cover where you wish prospective purchasers to see the cover on the newsstand as they pass by.

Accordingly, Preston selected a one piece, light colored garment for Miss Bigley which would contrast sharply and cleanly with the single color red background. He posed her in a seated position to achieve the largest subject image in the smallest amount of space.

He used an 8 x 10 view camera with a 4 x 5 reducing back and 14 in. Ektar lens. His exposure on Ektachrome, Daylight type was f/8 with electronic flash.

LATUKO . . .

Latuko, which has been subjected to the scrutiny of zealous screening boards during the past year, was finally seeable in New York under the auspices of Cinema 16, a private sort of movie club that shows experimental films to an ever-eager 16mm movie audience. Latuko has been banned in several states—for the wrong reasons.

It has been hailed by one critic as "a documentary in the best sense of the word," and backed to the hilt by the Museum of Natural History (whose trustee Edgar Monsanto Queeny made the film) as an excellent scientific study. Although Latuko represents an effort to make strangers understood, its scientific aspect is not convincing. To answer the screening boards, it was hardly the undressed

customs of the Latukos that were

shocking.

Instead of looking at these tribesmen in an entirely objective manner, Queeny often pointed out their acts as curiosities. In a few instances exactly what they were doing was incomprehensible, and when the narrator did not explain, he misled by exclaiming something such as: "Look at those primitives! How strange and pagan they are!"

Then there was the big hunt, a routine in Latuko life. Stealthily, by the hundreds, the Latuko men stalked the tall grass. Next there were cuts to monster giraffes, lions, elephants, rhinos—all racing ferociously through the swales. But what did the men actually encounter? One or two delicately built animals about the size of a small deer. In this sequence the inter-

cutting was not done skilfully enough

to give the idea that the big game footage was really shot as part of that particular hunt.

The techniques used in making Latuko were shockers. You were unremittingly exposed to bloody tooth extractions, scarred faces, wounded animals being attacked and dismembered. Brutality can—and should—be

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Latuko: an effort to make strangers understood

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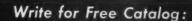
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shown, but not by bludgeoning. Had Queeny been more artful, these same scenes could have been presented in a more meaningful way and without the effect of pure sensation. By contrast, in Moana (Robert Flaherty's film), a youth was shown undergoing an agonizing tattooing ritual. But by showing the boy's sympathetic and proud family, his womenfolk's tender concern, Flaherty made you understand the tattooing as a meaningful symbol. And by respecting this in its cultural context, Flaherty conveyed a moving and profound experience.

-D. J.

OF FERENC BERKO . . .

Hungarians have sometimes been accused of having two sole desires in life—to take pictures and to leave Hungary. Although this statement has no basis in fact, the end results do fit photographer Ferenc Berko whose color landscapes are shown on pages 51 to 54.

Berko was born in Hungary, educated in England and Germany, worked in a French film studio, went to Bombay to work with an Indian film producer and set up his own photographic studio there. During the latter part of World War II, he directed films for the Army Film Unit. Following the war, he taught photography at the Institute of Design in Chicago, then went to London in 1948 to do photographic stories for London Films.

In 1949, Berko settled down in Aspen, Col., to work for the Container Corp. of America, making films and industrial photographs. He also began

to document Aspen.

Since 1952 Berko has been freelancing while making Aspen his home. He continues to make films as well as still photographs and his work has been published in Fortune, Vogue, Harper's Bazaar, Esquire and many other publications.

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out. The final color stereo is an outdoor portrait of a young lady, with a rope cutting across the scene and hiding the point where her body is apparently cut in two, with the lower half missing. It's a trick photograph that was made considerably easier to perform because of the initial tests in black-and-white, tests that enabled changes to be made in the working of the trick as the photography progressed.

Important: When stereo-mounting black and white film negatives be sure that the film is mounted so that the shiny side is toward your eyes when viewing. This keeps it from being backwards when you look at it: it's bad enough just having the "colors" reversed.

Be sure to give this idea a try so that you'll see for yourself the possibilities for making stereo tests quickly and inexpensively. Now let's experiment with hyperstereo—the technique of taking 3-D photographs where the effective intercoular distance (between the lenses of your camera) is greater than normal. Hyper-stereo produces exaggerated stereo at the expense of making the subject look somewhat like a miniature set. But it does give depth to so-called backdrop-type scenics. Flat scenes of faraway subjects will become third-dimensional beyond anything your eyes have seen directly.

Fixing flats

Here's a method of accomplishing this effect which will come in handy the next time you are confronted with a beautiful—but flat—scenic that doesn't really "begin" for many hundreds of feet, maybe several miles from your camera. Perhaps you're standing on a cliff or at the top of a building or are in some other way prevented from approaching within good stereo distance from your subject. The only piece of extra "equipment" necessary is a lens cap... practically anything at all that will cover up (and make light-tight) one lens at a time as you make the exposures.

To begin, first study the entire scene through the camera viewfinder so that you can always return to it. Keep the camera level and locate a few reference points along the bottom and one edge of the scene. It's very important that you be able to line up the camera very exactly each time that you look through the view-finder. Now, with the scene lined up exactly, and with the lens cap over the right lens, take one of the photos. Then quickly: (1) recock the shutter (but don't advance the film), (2) change the lens cap over to cover the left lens this time, (3) move sideways to the right a bit (camera and all, of course), (4) line up the scene in the view-finder again . . exactly, and (5) take the second picture. This makes a stereo pair.

A few hints

There are a number of factors to keep in mind when choosing a scene for this type of photograph:

First of all, limit yourself to scenes that really are far away and flat. Hyper-stereo is strictly a novelty effect that is most effective when held to a minimum . . . so don't use it too often.

Make sure that you have chosen the scene in which there will be absolutely no movement of anything during the time needed to take the completed stereo pair—no visibly moving water, no wind blowing the trees or people moving about.

Finally, you'll have to experiment a (Continued on page 28)

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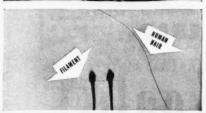
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bit to find out how far to move between left and right exposures: six inches or six feet. This will depend entirely upon the distance that the camera is away from the nearest object. If only fifty or a hundred feet, then move the camera six or twelve inches only. But if you're really far away-on that cliff or a tall building, say-then move five or ten feet. Suppose you're in an airplane? Go through the procedure as quickly as possible, first one exposure and then the other (out the window and not including any portion of the plane in the photo) and let the movement of the plane do the moving for you.

By the way, either in a plane or elsewhere . . . if you're caught without a lens cap and still wish to use your hyper-stereo technique, just take two separate and complete stereos. Take one stereo pair, advance your film and re-cock the shutter, move sideways the required distance, then take the other stereo pair. Remember to transpose these particular photos (one each with one of each) later in mounting and you'll have two complete hyperstereo photos.

There you have it: a brief introduction to a type of stereo control that can come in extremely handy at times. To get acquainted with it, why not load your stereo camera with black and white film and try it out. It may take you a few minutes to become accustomed to looking at stereo in negative form, but you'll soon get the hang of it. Then the next time you're out where the scenery is far away and flat-but definitely worth photographing-use hyper-stereo and get something special.—Tommy Thomas

Tommy Thomas, this month's guest columnist, is a professional stereographer and a director of Dimensional Enterprises in Studio City, Calif.

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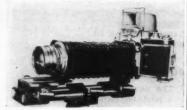
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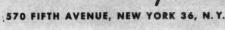
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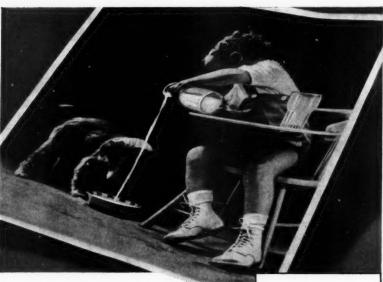


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Sirs:

By chance I leafed through the January issue of MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY the other day and came across the unusual photographs of Dr. Herman Moses. I read the accompanying article with great interest, but my eyes were drawn again and again to those wonderful faces which seemed to tell more about themselves the oftener I looked at them. They are neither pretty nor sensational, but they are important because they seem to lay bare the soul of the subject. Photographic work of such depth is very rare in America, and I congratulate MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY on this great find. New York, N. Y. E. Hildesheimer

Qing.

I just got back the movies I took following the instructions as outlined in your article *Try Bounce Lighting* For Color Movies (November, 1953).

I am so pleased with the results that I had to write and tell you about it. Thanks, and let's see more such articles, so that I can improve my movies, and get as good results.

Sunnyside, N. Y. I. Holtzman

Poodle Blur

Sirs:

Here is a picture you might like to see. I was shooting a portrait of a pair of Afghan pups and was having difficulties because my poodle wanted to play with them. During the session, I



noticed him up on a bed, watching every move I made. I merely swung my camera around and used the remainder of film on him.

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MUSEUM OF MODERN ART'S "FAMILY OF MAN" SHOW

An international photography show open to photographers all over the world will be one of the highlights of the Museum of Modern Art's forthcoming 25th anniversary celebration in New York City. The unique theme of the exhibition is "The Family of Man". Its director, Edward Steichen, Director of the museum's Department of Photography. Because the museum's aim is to present the most complete exploration possible of photography's achievements in recording human relations, Mr. Steichen is asking photographers everywhere to submit photographs. Exhibition regulations are on the opposite page. Opening date will be in January 1955 at the museum in New York.

Aims and purpose

Recently Mr. Steichen issued the following statement explaining "The Family of Man" exhibition:
"The Family of Man is to show the

universal elements in the life of human beings and their relationships in all parts of the world. This is clearly the most ambitious and demanding project that photography has ever faced and one which, I believe, the art of photography is uniquely qualified to explore. Almost from its beginning, this Museum added the recognition and advancement of photography as an important part of its program. The inclusion of The Family of Man project as one of the major international exhibitions, celebrating the Museum's 25th anniversary, gives further emphasis to this recognition of photography as an art.

What to send

"We are seeking photographs covering the gamut of human relations, particularly the hard to find photographs of the everydayness in the relationships of man to himself, to his family, to the community and to the world we live in. Our field is from babies to philosophers, from the kindergarten to the university, from the child's homemade toys to scientific research, from tribal councils of primitive peoples to the councils of the United Nations. We are interested in lovers and marriage and child bearing, in the family unit with its joys, trials and tribulations, its deep rooted devotions and its antagonisms. We want to show the selflessness of mother love, not simply the Madonna element in 'mother' but the over-all, all embracing mother love and the sense of security she gives to her children and to the home she creates with all its magnificence, heartaches and exaltations and the guiding hand of the father towards his son. There can be special emphasis on children as the universality of man is not only accepted but taken for granted among children.

"We are concerned with the individual family unit as it exists all over the world and its reactions to the beginnings of life and following on through to death and burial. We are concerned with the religious rather than religion. Anything that borders on propaganda for or against any political ideologies will be rigorously excluded. We are concerned with man in relation to his environment, to the beauty and richness of the earth he has inherited and with what he has done with this inheritance, the good and the great things as well as the destructive and stupid things.

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Wayne Miller made this picture of Edward Steichen last spring when Steichen visited the photographer's California home. Purpose of the trip: to discuss the forthcoming Family of Man exhibition with West Coast photographers.

"We will need photographs that express the universal through the particular, and demonstrate the role that can be played by the art of photography in communication, and in the explaining of man to man across the world, his dreams and aspirations, his strength under the incandescence of truth, his despair under the evil of the lie. We want to reveal how the camera image can give life and force to ideas, reveal how alike we all

are, stressing these similarities rather than the differences in individuals and peoples throughout the world. I believe the central and the most important emotion expressed by the whole exhibition should be dominated by Love and that this must be the key element in The Family of Man just as it is the key element in the individual family. If photography brings these things to life, this exhibition will be created in a passionate spirit of devoted love and faith in man. Nothing short of that will do."

In submitting prints for consideration it is essential for photographers to keep in mind the universal elements in human relations rather than situations that represent conditions that are exclusively related or peculiar to a race, a given

time or a given place.

Details of the exhibit cannot be planned until all related and available photographs have been collected. The scope of the exhibition will depend on the penetrating and revealing qualities presented by these photographs.

Exhibition regulations

1. Amateurs and professionals throughout the world may submit pictures.

2. Rough proof prints are sufficient-Do not send negatives.

3. Contact prints will be permissible except from 35mm negatives.

4. No prints larger than 8 by 10. Send unmounted prints only.

5. Published or unpublished photographs acceptable.

6. No prints will be returned.

7. Receipt of all photos will be acknowledged.

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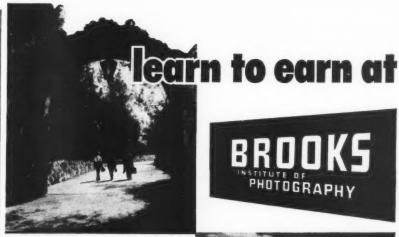
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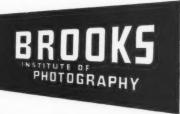
10. Name and address of photographer must be on the back of each print.

11. Closing date for submitting prints is April 10, 1954.

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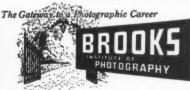
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Ferenc Berko's transparencies have unusual dramatic impact. Here's an analysis of this side of his work...by Herbert Keppler

The landscape has to some extent eluded the color photographer. While the painter and black-and-white camera artist have successfully portrayed it using both color and design, color film itself has been used primarily to reveal the photographic landscape as a permanently documented geographical location.

In effect the color photographer's work is marked by inclusion. He generally sees a broad area and much subject material and makes impressive, sweeping and sometimes dramatic photographs. They somehow lack the basic spark of human intellect which marks a picture "made" from one "taken." The painter and black-and-white photographer have, on the other hand, often produced landscapes marked by isolating a small part of nature from the over-all scene.

The secret of creative landscape photography, therefore, may not be filters nor under or overexposure, but instead, perhaps the selective eye, able to isolate from nature some part of it which can become a visual and psychological entity in itself.

Ferenc Berko has this selective ability. He was not born with it nor did he discover how to use it in landscape photography in a sudden moment of revelation.

"Looking back over quite a few years of my own photography," he relates, "I can find that the very particular interest I have always had in pattern and design was discernible at a very early stage.

"I think that the only difference between early times and now has been that whereas formerly I regarded pattern and design as things apart, they have gradually emerged to become integral parts of my seeing. In other words, I am applying pattern and design to anything I photograph. Hence this particular kind of vision, if

you will call it that, penetrates any subject with which I am dealing—in this case that side of nature commonly called landscape."

The photograph opposite of a dune in Death Valley, although perhaps not representative of Berko's work as a whole, does exhibit his application of pattern and design to landscape photography.

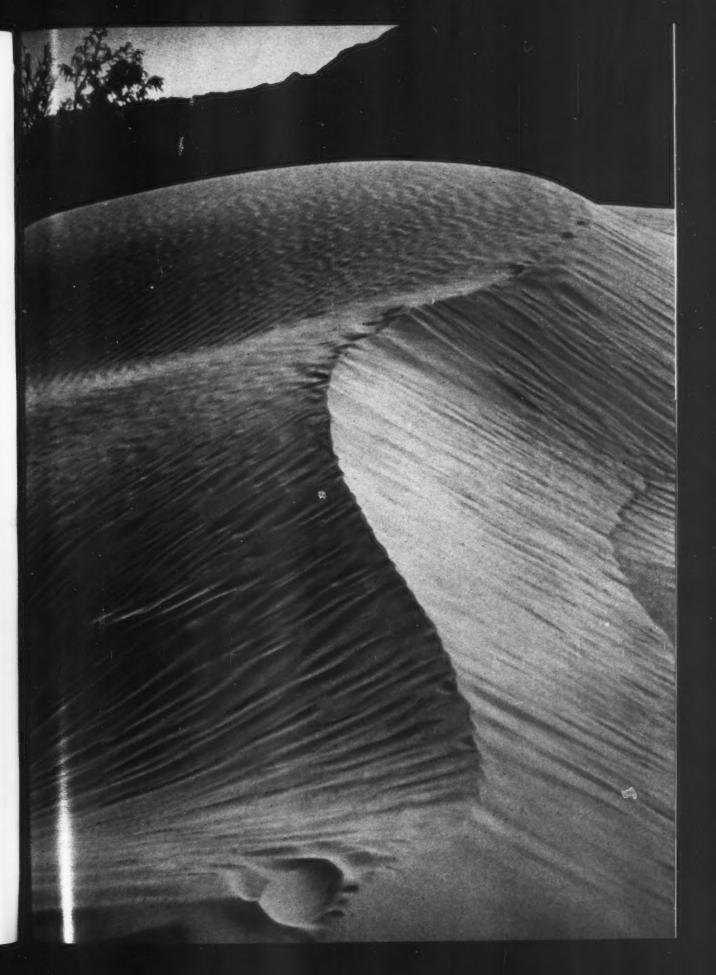
There are a lot of sand dunes in Death Valley. At first sight, a photographer might feel compelled to slap a wide angle lens on his camera and photograph the largest number of dunes possible. The second thought might be to isolate a piece of sun-parched wood or a cow's skull against a textured sandy background. Berko's treatment is considerably different from these approaches.

He has isolated one dune from the others. The dune's top ridge weaves rhythmically from middle foreground first left and then right until it eventually merges with the furthest edge of sand. The patterns and tones of sand change in ripples and waves. The left side of the ridge is predominantly darker than the right.

The background is extremely important in establishing size and geographical relationships. For an experiment, mask off the background with a piece of white paper so only the dune itself shows. Immediately the entire illusion of a three-dimensional landscape disappears. The very concept of sand vanishes. The material might be paint or the hide of some animal. What remains is pattern and design for its sake alone. Had Berko, as is the case with many experimental photographers, been seeking pattern alone, this might have sufficed. But the inclusion of the background is the method by which he applied pattern to photography rather than photography to pattern.

Unlike the traditional advice handed to would-be landscape photographers, Berko seldom employs a foreground framing object. Close figures or tree branches used for framing don't appear in his landscapes.

"My landscapes were formerly more pictorial in the pretty sense. Foreground was often included. My development, however, to seek an over-all pattern has led largely to an elimination of framing material in the foreground," he explains. (Continued on page 55)



Iowa farm scene. Exakta with 50mm Zeiss Tessar lens. Exposure: 1/50 sec. at an f/8 lens opening. ⊳

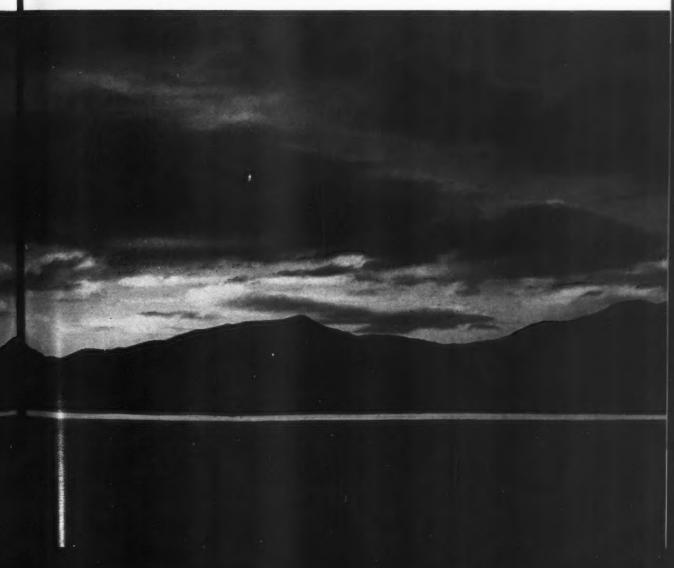




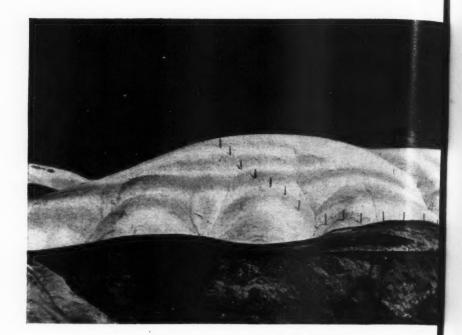
 \triangle Aspens in fall. Leica with 50mm Elmar f/3.5 lens. Exposure: 1/50 sec. at between f/5.6 and f/8. Skylight filter.

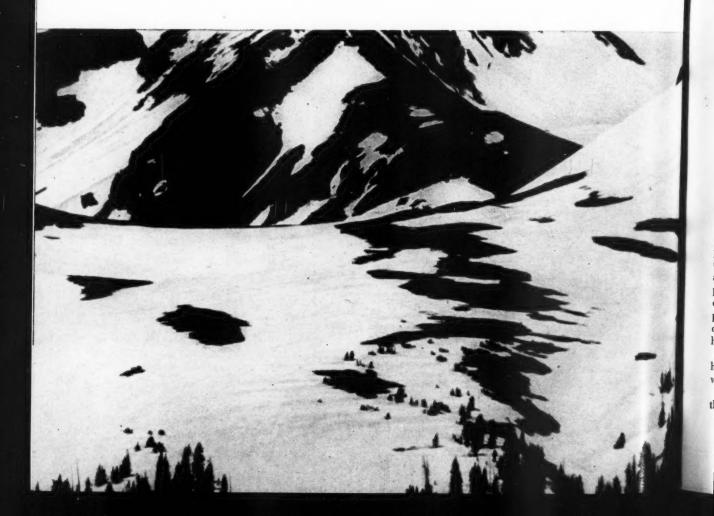


Fairplay, Col., in the afternoon. Exakta with 90mm Sola f/4 long focus lens. Exposure: 1/50 sec. at f/5.6. Skylight filter prevented bluish cast from shading the foothills in distance. ∇



Death Valley. Exakta with 7 in. f/2.5 Aero Ektar lens. Exposure: 1/25 sec. at between f/8 and f/11 stops. ▷





How Berko treats near objects

The elimination of foreground framing material is an extremely important concept in Berko's landscapes. It does not mean that every bit of subject material must be registered at an infinity setting of the lens. But it does mean that whatever near material there is must become a part of the picture rather than a frame for it.

The white fence in the farm scene on page 52 and the wire fencing in the Fairplay Col. landscape, page 53, are two divergent cases in point. In both the fences form an integral part of the picture rather than added gingerbread, setting the scene. The white fence of the farm is quite strong against the green grass. In addition to its necessary position as part of the over-all pattern, it places the depth of the scene in its proper perspective.

The fence in the Fairplay landscape almost blends into the picture. It has much less to do with the overall pattern of the picture than the white fence in the farm scene, but it nevertheless gives the broad expanse of plain a proper perspective. The camera is not suspended in mid-air. It views the landscape from a ground level. Cover the fence with paper and note the different effect that results.

All of Berko's pictures here printed, save one, have been given some amount of geographical location with a background (as in the sand dunes) or a near or middle

distance object or objects (the farm scene).

The one exception, Aspens in fall (page 52), is essentially a pattern of two color tones, yellow and green contrasted. A blue sky would disturb this contrast, a near fence would interfere. Here, geographical location has to some extent been sacrificed for pattern and design. Any imagery which might suggest location would destroy the balance of the picture and the intent of the photographer.

Berko, however, is not the photographer who makes complex statements or theories about the lighting or composition in his landscapes. He does not believe in retrospective analysis of just what makes a landscape good. He doesn't ask the viewer to see his photographs in terms of empirical compositional laws, advancing or receding colors, or complex tonal scales.

For aesthetics, read Emerson

His pictures are not realized mechanically. For the photographer who insists on knowing the technique he uses, Berko refers to Emerson's essay on art for the aesthetic approach, which, in part, suggests that: "the power to detach and magnify by detaching is the essence of rhetoric in the hands of the orator or poet... the painter or sculptor exhibit in color and stone. The power depends on the depths of the artist's insight of that object he contemplates."

On a mechanical level, Berko is quite explicit and perhaps may even sound cold to the reader who delights in

wading through technical morasses.

Camera: "One of the reasons for using 35mm color is the facility with which lenses of different focal length can be used. Lenses of longer focal length have become increasingly important to me. Patterns seen in the distance change or get lost altogether as you approach and the perspective changes. In order to get exactly what I want when I want it and without the possibility or necessity of cropping, I sometimes use lenses of very long focal length." (For this reason, Berko prefers an eyelevel reflex camera—the Exakta—since it permits him to see exactly what his lenses do. His Exakta lenses are a 50mm f/3.5 Tessar; a 90mm f/4 Sun Sola; a 7 in. f/2.5 Aereo Ektar and a 300mm f/5.6 Tele-Kilar. He also uses a Leica and Contax IIIa with a 50mm f/1.5 Sonnar, a 35mm f/2.5 Nikkor and an 85mm f/2 Nikkor.)

Exposure and lighting: "Except in pictures where mood is important or a particular lighting effect creates the picture (bottom, page 53), the kind of light is not too important to me. Brilliant sunlight or overcast have at

times proved equally good.

"Exposure, generally speaking, is not much of a problem. I take my readings with a Weston meter pointing it towards the scene, tilting it slightly downwards. I also take readings off my hand or nearby objects."

Filters: "The only filter I use is the Skylight. I keep it on even at normal altitudes simply because I prefer

a slightly warm tone."

Negative Size: "As far as the proportions of the 35mm double frame are concerned, I have had no trouble in the course of the years to adapt my seeing automatically to whatever negative size I am using. There will be a few times, of course, when the rather 'long' or wide shape of the 35mm frame is not what I would like to have, but these occasions are rare and happen, of course, with all negative formats be they square or rectangular."

Film: "For most of the photographs of the kind shown here, taken at leisure, the slowness of the present emulsion makes little difference. Much as I would like faster color film, it is more important that the emulsion be such that first rate duplicates can be made from it."

Looking for landscapes

Berko does not believe there is any limit on subject material for landscapes. Although many camera owners feel that the geography around them is dull and uninteresting, a reappraisal will turn up many new ideas. Although perhaps you may not get a chance to photograph Death Valley (pages 51 and 54), Fairplay Col. (page 53) or Independence Pass (page 54), there are sand dunes, broad plains and snow covered mountains elsewhere. The farm scene (page 52), although taken in Iowa, exists in many places. The city dweller need only go a few miles from his home into the suburbs to find landscapes. And one locale is never exhausted.

"The beauty of nature," Berko explains, "is a constant challenge to the photographer. From nature he draws all his strength; he goes back to it, exhausted or frustrated, time and again, and emerges refreshed and with new strength and enthusiasm. It has innumerable facets and a quite inexhaustible supply of beauty."—THE END.

Little People

Burt Owen Photographs Children...by Rebecca Blanchard

LITTLE PEOPLE—those vigorous inhabitants of a very secret world—are an exciting challenge to the photographer. Burt Owen has shown that they can be caught in many moods and poses. He has learned that youngsters can be encouraged to work with the photographer to help him make perceptive pictures of them.

Owen's reference to his young subjects as "little people" is entirely serious. He considers them young adults, and this is the first premise from which he works. This too is the reason he can make the sympathetic type of photographs seen on these pages. As young adults, children have activities that are as important to them as the hustling business world is to their elders. Notice

Owen's point of view in each photograph. His camera is always at or below the eye level of every child. Except for a rare effect, we do not photograph adults from above. So Owen does not shoot down on children.

This technique is aided considerably by the fact that in most of his children's pictures, Owen has used a waist-level reflex camera. Think of the viewpoint of this type of camera as contrasted to that of an eye-level camera. With the former, making low shots is natural, and shooting up at children is far easier. Were you to do this with an eye-level camera, not only would your nearly prone position attract attention and probably prompt giggles, it would also be a clumsy situation in

When working close you have little depth of field. ∇ Focus sharply on main subject. Primarflex, f/8, 1/100.

Shooting up made subject important, kept background wires from cutting behind head. Rolleiflex, f/11, 1/100.







Two eyes framed by a pair of boards express an unusual mood. By eliminating most of the forehead, nose, and chin, Owen emphasized the eyes, gave a very personal quality to this picture of a little girl. Rolleiflex camera, f/5.6 at 1/50 second.

which to find yourself. Some eye-level cameras, however, can readily be used for lower viewing by means of a waist-level brilliant finder, often found on inexpensive cameras. Such a slight investment will put a very different slant on your pictures and may give you a fresh perspective on your subjects too.

Owen likes to break down his style of child photography into three groups. In the first group he uses the child as a figure, sometimes abstractly, as only one element of the total photograph. These are composed rather than candid pictures, according to Owen, and require a definite idea before shooting begins. He feels the photograph above can be classified in this group because he intended to make a semi-abstract design. Whether his intent came off or not, there remains a very compelling study of a little girl.

Owen describes his second classification as featuring a particular child engaged in an activity, pose, or pastime that's characteristic of him or her. The child could gesticulate, make a face, or exhibit certain physical traits that charm the photographer. These pictures should be kept simple and direct, such as the sequence shots of the baby and a rose (page 59). Here, too, composition plays a large part in the effect, for good composition keeps the eye in the picture. Sequence shooting with babies, incidentally, is facilitated by the fact that tiny children who are not of a crawling age will remain where they're put. This will enable focusing on the spot where the baby is located and making rapid exposures as he plays.

The third type of photograph that interests Owen is children in action. Generally taken out-of-doors, these photographs show them engrossed in their natural activities—playing ball, running, climbing, fighting. Such pictures speak for any child, and so are typical of childhood. Here the shots are usually candid. They're found and not made, says Owen. Once one is found, you isolate it from the rest of the world, figuratively speaking. Even in these chance type pictures there's no reason to forget about design. There are many angles and points of view in any scene (see page 57), and doubtless one will be more important than another.

Notice also the way Owen softens his backgrounds in order to concentrate on the subject. By opening up the lens to decrease the depth of field, he has minimized conflicting background details (page 60).

Look around for groups of kids. Occasionally they will see you, mob you, and demand that you take their picture. Try to catch their spirited expressions. They'll forget the camera soon enough, especially if they see that you carry it constantly. Once they're familiar with your aiming and shooting, they'll pay no attention to you, and so free you to make unposed pictures.

Often as not in the casual photograph of a boy or girl the sex of the child is completely overlooked. As the photographer of adults is fully aware of the malefemale differentiation, so he must make the same distinction when working with children. Boys and girls must never be made to look like one gender, and something besides the haircut and clothing should bring out a subject's girl-ness or boy-ness. Owen believes that girls are dreamy, thoughtful, gentle, and definitely feminine; boys, strong, tough, rugged, and very masculine. Of course, some boys will be less boisterous than others; some girls will be tomboys. But they're still either boys or girls and that's important.

You should try to consider the relationship you'll have with children before photographing them. Are you going to intimidate them, fight with them, concede to

Sequence photographs of babies are not difficult. Focus once, and shoot fast, but watch out for those often unnoticed background details that might interfere with the subject Rolleiflex, windowlight, f/4.5 at 1/50 sec.







their whims, or cooperate with their ideas? Owen chooses to let the child be as free as possible. He neither pampers to win a child's confidence, nor talks down to him. Above all, Owen says, never show undue rush or nervousness in this person-to-person situation.

Such cooperation also permits the photographer to subtly direct the child into what Owen terms a candid pose. To do this, set your model in a restricted area with the necessary props and accessories that will be included in the photograph. While acting according to your picture requirements, the child will still be permitted relative freedom.

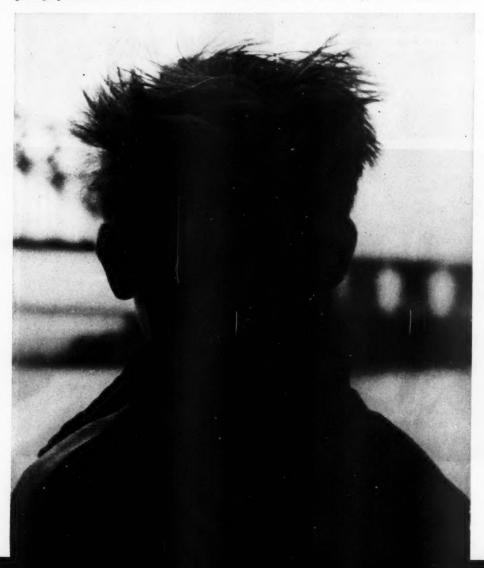
Often such shooting will be done indoors where you won't have the benefit of full daylight. Although you can sometimes make exposures indoors by daylight from the windows, there are times when flood, flash, and electronic flash are necessary. You may need a small flood to mix with the natural light for balance, or to fill in the shadows. A silver reflector can be used for

this extra boost of light. If artificial light is to be mixed with daylight—indoors—Owen recommends that you bounce your flood off the ceiling or wall to retain the quality of soft diffused light.

Determining exposures under these circumstances can be difficult due to the different values of day and artificial light. For such black-and-white work Owen sets his meter for an ASA index film rating which is a compromise between daylight and tungsten. His advice is to use a meter whenever possible, for then you can more closely expose for the values you want—the shadows, middle tones, or highlights. Simplicity in lighting is important because you don't want the light to take over the scene—your picture should be supported, instead of decorated, by your use of lights.

Avoiding affectation in your actions as well as your lighting will allow your subjects—and your pictures—more freedom. Your sincerity and naturalness with the little people is your visa to that secret world.—THE END

Kids are everywhere, and the back of a boy's unkempt head is a common sight. So why not photograph that instead of his face? Made with a Rolleiflex on a dull day, f/8 at 1/50th second.





Here's a study of a little girl as she came back from a swim dripping wet. Her motion gave the slightly blurred effect, emphasized her sopping hair. Graflex Super D camera, f/8 at 1/60 sec.

how to bind your 35 MM color slides

by HERBERT JEROME FLATOW

WHY TAKE THE TROUBLE to remove color transparencies from their cardboard mounts and bind them in glass? Glass slides are clumsy, breakable and not half as easy to store as unbound transparencies. There's one important reason why glass mounts are favored—for protection. If grit, dust, moisture or fingermarks get on the transparency itself, you may be unable to remove them. If a glass bound slide is manhandled, the grit, dust, moisture or fingermarks can be wiped off. If the glass is broken, the slide can easily be rebound in new glass.

There are two basic methods of slide binding. You can bind slides yourself with masks, tape and glass or you can employ one of the many types of plastic or metal and glass slip-in or snap-in mounts. Binding them yourself is less expensive but takes time. This article will discuss only mounting with masks, glass and tape. Next month, the plastic and metal mounts will be described and discussed.

What will you need for slide mounting besides a clean working surface and dry atmospheric conditions? First, there's the 2 x 2 in. standard size cover glasses. There are two general types. One has rough edges and the other does not. Naturally the beveled or ground edge is preferable. Masks come in many types with different openings. There are masks for single frame and double frame 35mm transparencies as well as Bantam and Robot sizes. Some have rounded corners; others, square corners. If you don't want the standard mask opening but desire to mask your slide for cropping purposes, a glance at the listing on page 65 will give you the sizes and manufacturers of masks other than the normal. There are many makes of binding tape. I prefer the 3/8 in. wide colored "Scotch" brand binding tape made by the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co. The various colors available will come in handy for separating this year's slides from last year's, or for different subject material. Also, scissors, some colorless nail polish (photo 22), a small lens brush (photo 13), a quantity of tiny labels such as Dennison Label 251 (photo 21), a stamp with your name and address on it (photo 4), a chamois (photo 11), and a small roll of 3/8" transparent cellophane tape (photo 7). A binding vise to help hold the glass and tape while binding (photo 15) is a useful accessory, particularly if you have a great number of slides.

Although I have never had trouble with moisture condensing in a bound slide, many people do. You may avoid this by placing the transparencies in an airtight container with a desiccating agent such as activated silica gel for fifteen or twenty minutes before binding. Paper masks can be dried in a preheated oven for ten minutes at 200° F. (See Hints on Preserving Transparencies, page 116, for further steps to be taken against moisture after mounting.) Now let's get down to the business of binding a slide. It's simple once you learn the method.



1. A package of processed 35mm color film generally comes back from the lab in a sealed box. Lay box on its back and with pair of sharp scissors cut along the sealed edges to open the box.



5. If slide is to be titled, letter title on top edge of white frame. Title, and name and address (4) must all be lettered within confines of four hinges on mask or they may not show in slide.



9. Slit an inch long strip of ¾ incellophane tape down center. One half of this tape will secure the top perforations to the mask while the other will secure the bottom half in like manner.



2. View each slide in a hand viewer, by projection, or simply by even reflected white light to determine whether slide should be horizontal or vertical or if it needs special mask for cropping.

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3. With a pair of scissors, clip off lower left hand corner of slide. This will remind you in what position slide is to be shown on screen, designate the format, indicate slide is to be bound.



4. Place unfolded masks, metallic colored side up on work surface. Lower white portion of mask should be closest to you. Letter or stamp your name and address on the bottom of white frame.



6. Dust transparency carefully and then, with the pair of scissors, cut along a line between the words "Kodachrome" and "transparency" or ¼" from edge on a slide side. You need cut only one edge.



7. With your fingernail, or the edge of the scissors, separate two sides of cardboard starting at a corner. Work entire mount open carefully so the transparency can be removed safely.



 With metallic colored side of mask facing down, position transparency under four hinges. Handle by edges. Move transparency under hinges until picture is framed in the mask properly.



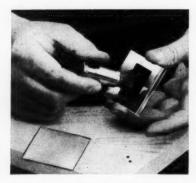
10. Make last test to see if transparency is centered correctly in mask. Fold mask, hold up to light for check. If all's well, open mask carefully and tape the perforated edges to the mask.



11. Select two glass covers from box. Clean each thoroughly with aid of a chamois and lens brush. If glass is really dirty, wash in lukewarm soap and water, then dry glass thoroughly.



12. Dust transparency again. Place closed mask between two cleaned glass covers. Handle the glass only by the edges or the sides away from the transparency, which can be cleaned later.



13. Hold sandwich of transparency and glass to light. Examine carefully, perhaps under magnifying glass, for any interior dust particles which may remain. If so, open slide and remove.



14. When you're positive that interior of both glass and transparency sandwich is spotless, square up glass by evening all edges on your work surface. Make last check for possible dust spots.



15. If you're going to use a binding vise, center the sandwich exactly so it will revolve evenly in the vise. Tighter vise carefully but don't let loose of evened glass edges until vise is tight.



17. If you're not using a binding vise, keep edges of glass flat on working surface while applying tape. Hold sandwich together with your fingers while guiding the binding tape onto glass edges.



18. When slide has been rotated completely and taping reaches the point of beginning, snip tape allowing slight overlap. Make eight snips in corners as illustrated, four on each side of slide.

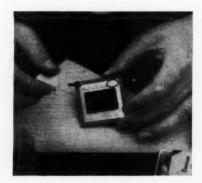


19. Working from center of each slide edge, secure edges of tape to sides of glass with thumb and index finger. Check tape to make sure it's even all around. Corners should be smooth, flat.

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21. A small white sticker should now be secured to the lower left corner on the metallic colored side of your slide. This will indicate the proper positioning of the slides when you project them.



22. As an added precaution in sealing your transparency against dust or moisture, with a brush apply a small dab of colorless nail polish to each cut corner of your slide. That's eight separate dabs.



23. An empty cellophane tape dispenser makes an excellent drying rack for your transparency while you wait for the polish to dry. You can keep slide here while you begin mounting next.



16. Start taping some distance from edge of slide. Glass should divide tape width evenly. Press tape in contact with sandwich gently so tape will adhere to the glass. Light pressure will do nicely.



20. If your slide is in a binding vise, remove it. Square up slide edges on your working surface. Then lay slide flat. Apply pressure with your fingers to the tape to secure it firmly to glass.



24. When slide is completely dry, remove fingermarks with chamois, place in slide file with metallic side facing you and sticker in upper right corner. Slides are ready for projection (see page 116).

IF YOUR SLIDE NEEDS CROPPING, THESE ODD SHAPED MASKS MAY FILL YOUR NEEDS

Editor's Note: The overall size of the average 35mm transparency is 24 x 36mm (15/16 x 1 13/32 in.). The average standard mask, however, shows an image of 23 x 33.4mm (29/32 x 1 5/16 in.). In Bantam size the transparency size is 28 x 40mm (1 3/32 x 1 9/16 in.) while the slide mask is 26.2 x 38.1mm (1 1/32 x 1½ in.). Thus, even regular masks do not show the entire transparency. The masks below limit the format of the transparency even further. Although many photographers make their own masks will generally produce a better looking slide with clean corners and accurate horizontal and vertical sides. Many can be bound the same way as standard masks. Others will require some ingenuity in adaptation. The prices and sizes listed below are approximate. Any can be ordered through your local photo store.

Busch Stereo Masks. Mfr. Busch Precision Camera Corp., 411 S. Sangamon St., Chicago 7, III. 76 x 1 1/6 in. (23 x 28 mm). Each mask has 2 openings. 50 for \$1.50.

Compco Slide Masks. Mfr. Compco Corp., 251 W. St. Paul Ave., Chicage 47, Ill. No. 361 double frame, $15/16 \times 15/16$ in. $(23 \times 33 \text{ mm})$ $100 \text{ for .85. No. 369 single frame,} <math>\frac{8}{3} \times 15/16$ in. $(17 \times 23 \text{ mm})$ $100 \text{ for .85. No. 370 Bantam, } 1 1/16 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ in. $(26 \times 38 \text{ mm})$. $100 \text{ for .85. No. 380 Stereo,} \frac{7}{6} \times 15/16$ in. $(23 \times 24 \text{ mm})$. 50 for .60.

Pavid White Stereo Slide Masks. Mfr. David White Sales Co., 315 W. Court St., Milwaukee 12, Wisc. Regular, ½ x 15/16 in. (23 x 24 mm). Each mask has 2 openings. 50 for .75. Closeup, 13/16 x 15/16 in. (21 x 24 mm). Each mask has 2 openings. 50 for .75.

Gemmounts. Mfr. Gemounts, 5817 Sheridan Ave., Detroit 13, Mich. R1 circle, 7/8 in. (22 mm). R2 Oval, 13/16 x 11/4 in. (20 x 32 mm). R3 % x 1 5/16 in. (23 x 33 mm). R4 circle, 11/16 in. (17 mm). R5 triangle, 1 in. (25 mm) sides. R6 square, $13/16 \times 13/16$ in. (21 x 21 mm). R7 eval, 7/8 x 1 1/16 in. (22 x 27 mm). R8 heart shape for double frame 35mm. R9 diamond shape, 11/16 in. (22 mm) sides. R10 diamond shape, 3/4 in. (19 mm) sides. R11 11/16 x 1/8 in. (17 x 23 mm). R12 spade shape for 35mm double frame. R13 five pointed star shape for double frame 35mm or Robot. R14 keyhole shape for double frame 35mm. R15 oval, 15/16 x 1 5/16 in, (23 x 32 mm). R16 for single frame 16mm, $5/16 \times \frac{3}{4}$ in. (7 x 10 mm). R17 $\frac{7}{6}$ x $1\frac{1}{6}$ in. (23 x 28 mm). R18 single frame (Mercury) 35mm, 11/16 x $\frac{3}{4}$ in. (17 x 20 mm). R19 Viewmaster size, $\frac{1}{6}$ x $\frac{1}{6}$ x 19/16 in. (27 x 40 mm). Bantam 20, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ in. (10 x 10 mm). Bantam 21 square, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ x 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ in. (27 x 27 mm). Bantam 22 circle, 1 in. (25 mm). R23 stereo, $\frac{1}{6}$ x $\frac{1}{16}$ in. (19 x 22 mm). R6-A $\frac{7}{6}$ x $\frac{7}{6}$ in. (23 x 23 mm). Prices of all masks 32 for .60, 54 for \$1, available as black paper or gummed silver paper. Special size masks made to order. Prices on request.

GoldE Filmasks. Mfr. Golde Mfg. Co., 1214-22 W. Madison St., Chicago 7, III. Single frame for use with GoldE Snap-It and other binders. 11/16 x 15/16 in. (17 x 24 mm). 50 for .75. Robot for Robot and Tenax for use with GoldE Snap-It and other binders. 15/16 x 15/16 in. (24 x 24 mm). 50 for .75. Double frame, 15/16 x 1 5/16 in. (23 x 33 mm). 50 for .75.

Kodak Slide Masks. Mfr. Eastman Kodak Co., 343 State St., Rochester 4, N. Y. 35mm Slide Masks, $15/16 \times 15/16$ in. (23 x 33 mm). 50 for .85. Bantam Slide Masks, $11/16 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ in. (26 x 38 mm). 50 for .85.

Leitz Slide Masks. Mfr. E. Leitz Inc., 468 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N. Y. Double frame 35mm, 15/16 x 1 1/8 in. (23 x 35 mm), 100 for .85.

S.V.E. Single Frame Adapters. Mfr. Society for Visual Education Inc., 1345 W. Diversey Parkway, Chicago 14, III. For use with S.V.E. and other binders. Prices on request.

CREATIVE CROPPING

(Editor's note: Saul Leiter is a creative young photographer who has received considerable critical acclaim over the past few years. His methods of approaching photography are far from orthodox and his results, exciting and emotion provoking. As you look through a stack of his pictures, you will find several versions of the same negative—with very different final images obtained from unusual printing and/or cropping techniques. In the text which follows, Leiter explains his approach to cropping, which he regards as a creative tool. The captions accompanying the pictures discuss what he was after in particular instances.—I. I.)

THE PHOTOGRAPHER'S first vision usually involves his sense of composition. Later on, out of a desire to change the composition, to eliminate details, to stress a particular point, he will crop. There are many photographers who feel guilty about cropping. They reserve their highest admiration for the man who insists on his first complete seeing and seem to feel that this is the "honest" way to work.

I believe this is a strange definition of the word honesty. In all the other arts there is an awareness of the benefit resulting from revision and editing. Few poets accept as complete their first draft, few painters their first sketch. Working and reworking is a common practice in most arts. It seems to be some kind of peculiar egoism in a photographer which insists that his first seeing is the *only* method of producing creative work. Some photographers see more creatively, compose more vitally than others, but I know of none whose work cannot benefit at some point by cropping.

I began to crop because I had to. The enlarger I used would (Continued on page 114)

Saul Leiter doesn't believe that the shape of the final print should be dictated by the shape of the printing paper. Here are three slim variations on the same photograph. Each emphasizes something different in the picture. The elimination of details gives almost a shock effect in the last two photographs. The influence of movies on Leiter is demonstrated in this long-shot to closeup trio.







Full negative, below, uses black space to emphasize mood of pensive loneliness. Cropped photograph, left, changes emphasis from a mood picture to a study of face and hands, calls attention to triangular design. Leiter often crops to intensify a detail of a compositional element which would be lost if full negative were used as final print.





Three photographs from one: full negative, left, shows elderly woman walking down street, gives documentary meaning to street scene. Cropping, below left, cuts out other women, concentrates on lonely figure; buildings still indicate environmental background. Final cropping, below, based on double triangle, with emphasis on face and scarf. Leiter believes that such exercises in cropping help to intensify a photographer's way of seeing details which he might otherwise pass by.









There are many possible motivations for cropping. Here are three. Photograph of little boy, far left, is based on strong vertical line of pole which he peers around. Portrait of girl, left, was done to emphasize light pattern. Silhouette of three men, below, was double-barrelled attack on picture which was printed contrasty to intensify shapes, then cropped to show dramatic play of strong black forms of the heads against each other.



how to buy an **Electronic Flash Unit**

ELECTRONIC FLASH FROM A TO Z, PART II BY CHARLES HELLMAN

PERHAPS the only thing more confusing than a glance at the electronic flash department of a major camera store is a careful study of the literature advertising the wide variety of speed lights displayed on the shelves. The claims are frequently conflicting, as well as confusing, and some of them are so wide of the fact that they would be funny-except that some photographers are likely to be taken in by them.

In Part I of this series (Modern, Feb. 1954) the workings of electronic flash were explained. We assume that you have read Part I, and with that under your belt are in a good position to look at the advantages and drawbacks of different types. This article gives you that information, about portable and semiportable outfits.

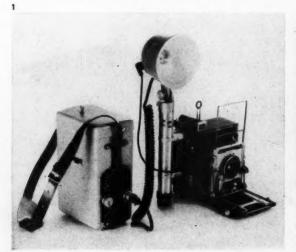
What energy rating do you need? Speed lights may have their outputs rated in three ways, which are closely inter-related: watt-seconds, lumen-seconds, guide numbers. The basic rating of a flash unit is in watt-seconds, which is calculated according to the amount of electrical energy stored in the capacitor. The more energy it can store, the higher the watt-seconds rating.

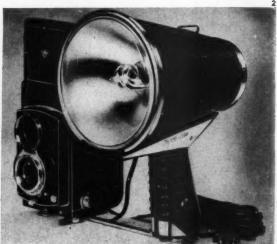
The light output of the flashtube is measured in lumenseconds. Although it is true that the efficiency of the circuits and the tube may increase or decrease the light output slightly, no amount of fussing with other components can make up for lack of watt-seconds (the basic ability to store energy). In general, a unit with a rating of less than 50 watt-seconds will prove unsatisfactory except for specialized close-up work; 50 watt-seconds is an absolute minimum starting point for general use.

The 100 watt-second units are capable of very satisfactory results, even with color film, and these are among the most popular and useful portable outfits. Properly designed 200 watt-second outfits are in the luxury class and will prove adequate for the most exacting demands of the portable worker. However, speed lights of this power are heavy and expensive; comparatively few photographers need equipment in this power and price range.

What about guide numbers? Watt-second and lumensecond ratings are important, but in the final analysis what we most want to know is: "What exposure can I use?" This is expressed in guide numbers (divide the guide number by the lamp-to-subject distance in feet and that's the lens opening to use). The most useful rating of a speed light is the guide number for a factory processed reversal color film, such as Kodachrome, and 30 is a minimum guide number for home use. Guide numbers for black-and-white films are bad comparisons; wide variations are possible depending upon the degree of overdevelopment and acceptable negative density.

Portable speed lights come in all shapes, sizes, and price ranges. The storage battery powered Ascor Midget 200-2 (left) packs a mighty punch (200 watt-seconds), is heavy, sells for \$245. In contrast, the little Thrift-Lite 2X is small, light, self-contained 110 volt A.C. unit, 60 watt-seconds, \$59.50. Battery pack, other items, can be added.







HIGH VOLTAGE BATTERIES

≺ Heiland Strobonar V is example of modern high voltage battery type (see page 74). Notice that the light head is designed to fit onto standard flashgun battery case. While this might seem to be a bulky, heavy arrangement, modern flashgun cases are of light alloys, provide a good carrying handle. Batteries must > be changed occasionally. This should be simple, safe operation (such batteries carry high voltages, are nothing to fool with). Insist that the dealer demonstrate changing. This unit has no wires to connect; contact points are inside at bottom of case, can't be touched accidentally. Avoid open connections, dangling wires, flimsy battery cases, look for safety.



VOLTAGE DOUBLER PACK

This type takes a 225 volt dry battery. Vibrator powered by 4½ volt battery doubles voltage from main supply. This does not increase battery energy, despite the name. About 1,000 flashes per main battery can be had, making it economical for occasional user, not so good for hard shooting pro. Such systems have most advantages of 510 volt battery pack, are slightly more complex but efficient.



LOW VOLTAGE POWER PACKS

These have 4 or 6 volt power supply, usually a rechargeable wet battery (see text, page 75 for full details). Some new, tiny units take power from 3 or 4 photoflash "D" cells (photo 7), are said to give 100 flashes at 60 cent battery cost. Such units have limited ability, as it takes 10-20 seconds to charge capacitors, standby current (switch on, waiting to flash) is heavy drain on "D" cells, unit should be switched off between widely separated flashes. Ordinary flashlight cells are no good < here; use photoflash type.



INTERCHANGEABLE POWER

Sunlite II and some others draw power either from dry battery pack (connected) or 110 volt A. C. through transformer (far right). This combines portability, economy; saves battery when doing much home portraiture, many closeups, reforming condensers (see page 74). A. C. power consumption is negligible.







CONNECTORS; READY LIGHT

Connectors should be keyed; so made that it is impossible to plug onto the wrong outlet or in the wrong position. Here, a triangular notch guides insertion of a power plug. Power cables should be more flexible and durable, more heavily insulated than household lamp wire (found on some cheap units). Make sure cables are long enough for your needs. All speed lights should carry (most do) a tiny but vital lamp (usually neon) on the power pack or light head (arrow). This > glows when the capacitor charge reaches some set value, supposedly at or near full charge. However, on some units the ready light glows deceptively at half charge; pictures taken then are underexposed. For safety, wait a few seconds after light glows before flashing.

HOW'S THE BRACKET?

≺ The attaching bracket must be strong, must hold the camera and light head rigidly so that both aim the same way without shifting about. If you intend to use "bounce light" the lamp must be tiltable towards the ceiling. Does the bracket clear the film transport mechanism, interfere with range- or viewfinders, hinder any camera operation? Light head of tiny Ultrablitz Amateur (see also photo 7) fits > neatly in accessory clip of 35mm cameras, but might fit awkwardly elsewhere. Always study the bracket carefully; does it fit your needs?





WHICH KIND OF POWER PACK IS BEST FOR YOUR NEEDS?

In general, there are three main types of power packs; each has its own peculiar advantages and drawbacks.

High voltage battery pack: The development of the light, compact, high voltage battery has made possible construction of a speed light type so satisfactory that it is fast displacing all other portable types. The battery charges up the capacitor through a resistor—and that is the entire power circuit. Such simplicity means dependability. Sudden power failures are unlikely; in general the battery shows use by an increase in the time required for the ready light to glow, giving ample warning of the need to replace the battery. Within their "shelf life" of

about a year (they go weak after that even without use) dry batteries usually provide carefree service; there is no charging, no water to be added, no corrosion.

The interval between flashes is as little as two to five seconds. The new low-leakage capacitors used in most modern units take very little current during standby periods (switch on, waiting to flash). Cost of dry battery energy is one to two cents per flash, depending on the size of the battery and the number of flashes made during the shelf life. If you shoot less than 1,000 flashes per year, this will be a relatively expensive unit to operate; a more economical variation is the voltage doubler power pack (see page 73). Spare batteries for both types are portable enough to carry on long trips. A recent development is a technique for recharging, to a degree, the high voltage batteries. Sponsors claim that if used diligently, it is capable of more than doubling battery life.



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 Ability to add a second lamp to your speed light will more than double the picture quality. BUT, it will not, ordinarily, double light output. The capacitor charge is split two ways; guide number for each lamp is about 0.7 of original guide number for one lamp. Some units ⟨ (Ascor Midget 100-2, for example) have built-in extension outlet. If your unit does not, try a > "slave" extension. This is complete. separate flash actuated by a photocell which receives the flash from the first speed light, sets the slave off simultaneously. Slaves operate at considerable distances without connecting cords, give increased guide numbers, but cost more than a simple added extension.

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ARE THE CONTROLS HANDY?

☐ The control panel on an electronic flash should be as simple as is consistent with good operation. In a modest unit, an ON-OFF switch may be all you'll find. Whether simple or expensive, each outlet and switch on it should be clearly identified, easy to handle.

SPECIAL TYPES OF LIGHTS

Electronic flash is ideal for medical and dental work. Circular flash-tubes for the Mighty Midget \triangleright (and some other makes) give a low powered but shadowless flash for extreme closeups. Special applications of speed lights are being developed constantly.

110 volt A.C. power pack: Some speed lights operate only on alternating house current. They are generally lighter, smaller, less expensive than portable units. In place of the high voltage battery supply, a small voltage step-up component is used. Many A.C. units are as compact as a standard flashgun (photo 2). These are fine, and economical, for unlimited shooting indoors with power available and not too much movement required. However, dangling power lines can be a crippling nuisance. The most practical A.C. unit is one designed so that the complete power pack can be interchanged with a battery pack (see photo 8, page 73). A.C. is particularly useful for reforming the capacitors after a long period of nonuse. This requires much current, will drain batteries.

Storage battery power pack: Until they were largely displaced by high voltage dry batteries, storage batteries

powered most portable sets. They are still being used, and are a reasonable choice if you need one or both of these unique characteristics: It is the only battery supply that is economical for portable units with an energy rating of much more than 100 watt-seconds (this may not be the case in the future). It costs only a fraction of dry battery operation where the unit is used portably for more than 1,000 flashes per year.

The small lead storage battery is good for one to two years, depending upon care, use, luck. Economy is its long suit. Balanced against this are a number of formidable drawbacks.

Complexity: A vibrator-transformer-rectifier system is needed to raise the 4 or 6 volts from the storage battery to the high voltage stored in the capacitors. This increases the possibility of breakdowns. High standby current: There are numerous (Continued on page 125)



From a series By the Water's Edge-William Grand

OREGON PHOTOGRAPHY

oregon photographic show presented at the Portland (Oregon, of course) Art Museum in January of this year. Following a growing trend of juried (as opposed to salon) exhibitions, the show was picked to demonstrate "fine photographs that will interest the public and dignify the photographers of the area."

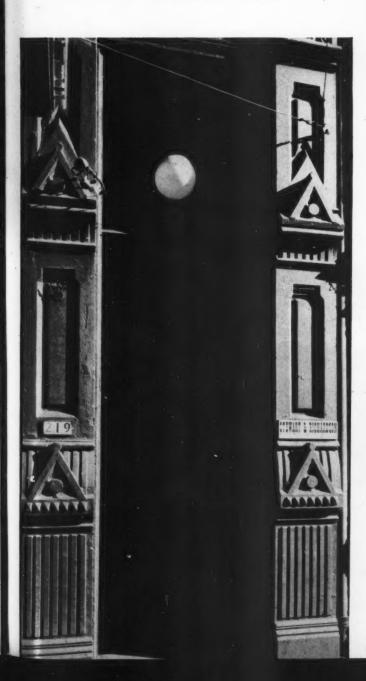
Although there was a restriction to the show—the photographer had to be a resident of Oregon or of communities adjacent to Portland—there was no rule about the kind of photography to be shown. As the prospectus stated: "Any type of photograph in any photographic field. This includes: press photographs, advertising photographs, illustrative photographs, candid or snapshot photographs, pictorial photography, portraits, abstract photography, etc., etc., black and white, toned

prints, and color, including prints and transparencies."

The jury consisted of three well-qualified photographic critics: Beaumont Newhall, Curator of George Eastman House; John Gutmann, Director of Photography at San Francisco State College; Roger Dudley, professional portrait photographer in Seattle, Wash.

Although no prizes were given, William Grand (two pictures of his appear on these pages) was given first mention for a series (photographic essays as well as single prints were submitted) of 22 prints, By the Water's Edge. Other mentions for individual prints went to: Ben J. Allen (see picture, opposite), Kirk Braun, Don Condit, Alvin W. Davis (see picture opposite), Henry Sheldon, Larry W. Smith.

The three judges all had comments to make on the show. Mr. Gutmann in (Continued on page 127) Statistics on the Portland Art Museum show Oregon Photography—1954:
243 works by 47 photographers submitted.
101 works by 29 photographers accepted.
First mention: William Grand for his series (22 prints) By the Water's Edge.
Mentions for individual prints:
Ben J. Allen, Kirk Braun, Don Condit,
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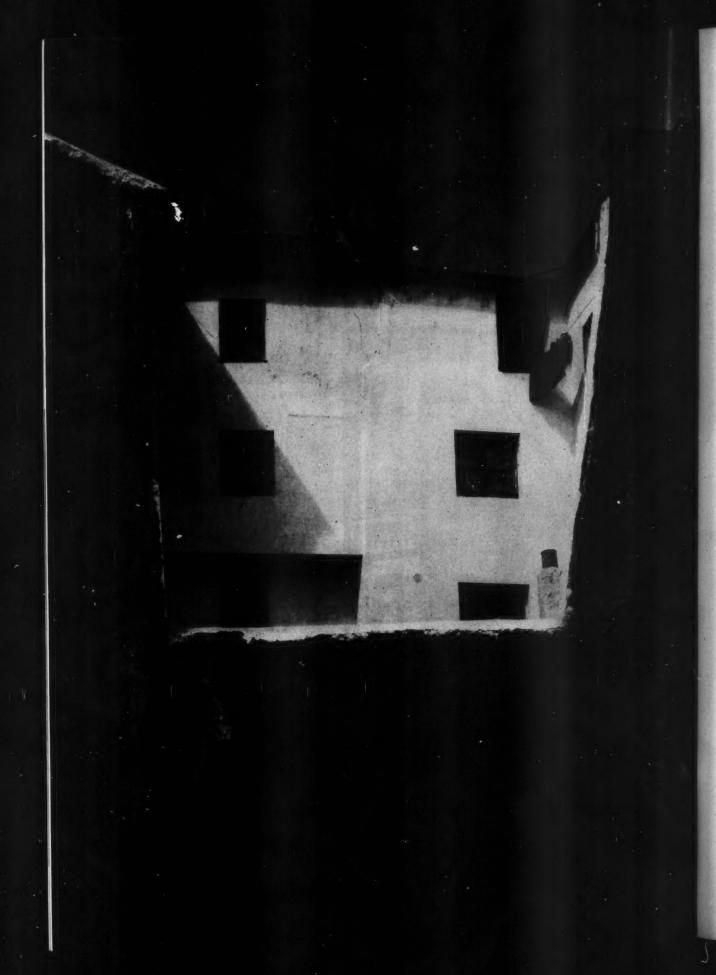


Bill Pickens-Alvin W. Davis



Oregon landscape—William Grand

Doorway-Ben J. Allen



DANIEL MASCLET: "TO SPECIALIZE IS TO BECOME BORED"



BY CORA ALSBERG

HE NAME of Daniel Masclet is an important one in French photography. People who know pictures are either for him or against him-hail him as one of France's most versatile picture makers, or pass him off as only a superb photographic technician.

Actually he is both. Whether he presses the shutter release of his camera on a Paris street scene, or makes a portrait in his studio overlooking the Seine, his pictures bear the mark of a man who sees things in a number of different and penetrating ways-an individualist who has definite ideas about what he wants to say, and how it should be done in each case.

Sometimes he uses straight photography of the classical tradition (left, page 80, and bottom left, page 81). When the subject is suitable he may switch to solarization (top right, page 81), or multiple exposure (bottom right, page 81). And an important part of his seeing with the camera is reporting which does more than skim the visual surface (pages 82 and 83). In all of Masclet's work "technique is a slave which must always obey." An outstanding craftsman himself, he warns others, "Do not be one of those technicians who know everything but ignore the rest."

The 61-year-old Frenchman is an individualist with a Gallic cast of mind, for whom books, music, painting and every current of modern life influence the final photographic expression. In his work he combines the enthusiasm and strong statement of a young man with the experience of years.

But Masclet is more than all that. He is a rebel, a

thorn in the side of conservative French photographers. an outspoken man-in short a respected critic as well as outstanding picture maker. Not only do his pictures appear in leading French magazines, but also his pointed comments on the work of others.

Listen to some of his remarks and you will get an idea of the man who has sometimes been called "that crazy revolutionary." Writing to us on rules, he says, "They are made by critics, experts, and professors—and bad artists make respectful use of them." On pictures in general: "There are only three kinds of photography: the bad, the good, and artistic photography—the last is the worst of all." On lighting: "Light for light's sake is bad light."

Ideas like these plus the versatility of his work have kept Masclet in the forefront of the French progressive photographic movement-have made him impatient of groups that are not "advanced enough."

"To specialize is to become bored," he claims. This, too, is a basic part of his approach—a combination of attitudes which cannot conveniently be pigeon-holed or labeled. His work is as many-sided as the man behind the camera. Perception enabled him to make a revealing portrait of Léon-Paul Fargue (page 83) a few weeks before the French writer's death. On another level he found beauty of form and line, of black and white in the picture of the white-washed house (at left). Again it was his way of seeing which permitted him to make a telling comment on postwar Parisian life in The Man Who Waits (page 82). At the time of shooting, Masclet saw the relationship between the figure and a phrase from a famous French writer who said, "They expect nothing more from life, but they still wait for [expect] the bus." You might call this sort of approach a merger of Gallic intellect and emotion. You might call it pure Masclet. Or you might say: Here is a man whose awareness is so broad that he can isolate one segment of life

Versatile Masclet is concerned with form and line as well as people. Here he recorded the back of a newly whitewashed Paris house. 13 x 18 cm Linhof Technika (about 5×7 in.), f/22 and 1/25 sec. Tripod. Yellow filter.

Even a lighting demonstration doesn't lessen Masclet's perception. Young Girl was made while showing 50 pupils how to use 2 floods and 1 spot. Linhof Technika camera on tripod, f/16, 1/10.



in a picture and make you feel that it is the symbol of a larger reality.

Nowhere is Masclet's versatility more striking than within the limitations of portraiture. The four pictures shown on these two pages are not different from each other merely because Masclet varied his subjects, changed lighting, or used distinctive photographic techniques. His versatility begins with seeing—is implemented only by technique. Unlike many photographers, he never settles for a flummery of striking effect which might pass for visual originality.

It took more than a fine technician to bring forth and record the fresh sensitivity of the young girl's face (above), while demonstrating portrait lighting to a class of 50 pupils. The picture of the nun, right, was made under quite adverse conditions. In 1940 thousands of French people fled south as the Germans advanced towards Paris. In the small town of Vernou near Tours, the Mayor ordered everyone to have his picture taken for identification purposes. Masclet, who followed the general exodus south, taking only his cameras and his money,

was in the village at that time. He made many of these photographs. Working simply and swiftly, he placed the nun before a window, portrayed her strength and serenity in contrast to the surrounding turmoil.

Good portraiture, according to Masclet, depends on two things: expression, and rendition of skin tone. This is a difficult challenge to meet when photographing women, since Masclet never retouches. He will, however, use solarization to achieve a decorative effect as in the advertising shot for his wife's beauty salon (top of opp. page). In the pattern portrait of his wife (bottom right, opp. page), he emphasized a sensitive mood with edge lighting, and repetition of form through multiple exposure. Two shots of his wife's profile were combined on one negative with two shots of her marble head. Position on the negative was carefully marked on the ground glass of the Huillard view camera with a grease pencil.

"The best lighting," says Masclet, "is sunlight. But in Paris, unfortunately, it rains much too often, and I have resigned myself to using my three floods." With them he likes to make his portraits look as if they were Three women and three approaches. Top right Masclet solarized slightly to emphasize head and hands for an advertising shot. (Huillard view camera, t/22, 1/10, daylight and artificial light.) Below left, he used his favorite full face lighting to make A La Holbein by window light (Linhof, f/32, 1 sec.). In the pattern portrait of his wife, below right, Masclet shows a sensitive mood by means of edge light and repetition of form. (13 x 18 cm Huillard view camera at f/16 and 1/10 sec.)









△ The Man Who Waits is more than an isolated picture. It is also a telling comment on postwar Parisian life. Graflex, f/8, 1/100.

With keen insight, Masclet photographed Léon-Paul Fargue shortly before the French writer's death. Linhof, f/32, open flash.

"lighted from the interior." "I consider lighting," he says, "more as something which permits registering the image, than as an ingredient for embellishing the picture. Therefore the majority of my portraits are lighted very simply by means of three 1,000-candle floods" (each about two-thirds as strong as No. 2 floods sold here). He almost never uses back lighting, preferring full face illumination (à la Holbein), as in the natural light shot of the nun. Other lighting angles depend on the subject before his camera.

All this technique and perceptive thinking didn't come overnight. It began 30 years ago when Masclet made a quiet entrance into the world of photography after serving as a soldier in World War I. He had been a cellist, but felt that his hands had lost too much of their skill during the war years. As an alternative he turned to pictures and set about learning what he calls "the four abilities necessary for photography: the ability to analyze, to record, to communicate, and to accentuate."

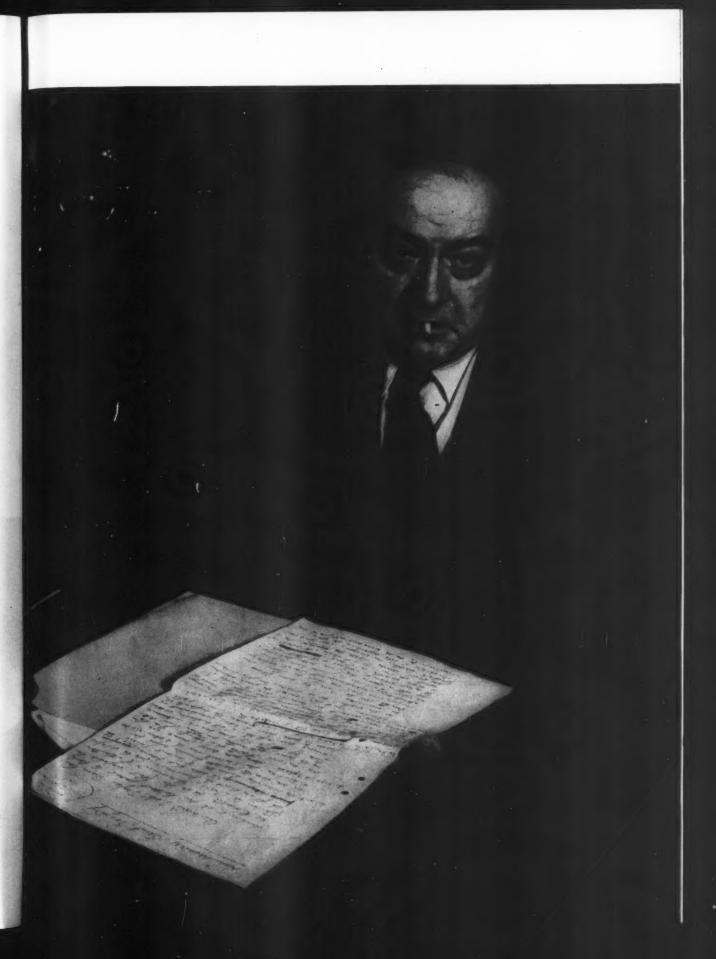
First he won a gold medal for a picture made with a 40-pound camera. This camera not only made works of art but took the place of a private gymnasium with weights and dumbbells. By 1926 Masclet was assistant to the famous fashion photographer Baron de Meyer in Paris. Later he did work for *Vogue* magazine as an

assistant under Man Ray, Steichen, and de Meyer. As time went on he learned that selectivity and still more selectivity is essential in making pictures. Just as some books are too long, so some pictures he says "are too big," and by that he means they include too much in one frame.

There's no doubt that Masclet was influenced by Edward Weston's way of shooting. "I do not know," said Masclet recently, "of more beautiful portraits or better lighted ones than those made by Weston by daylight." Often called the "Weston of France," Masclet also belongs to the straight school of photography. Most of his pictures are sharp from foreground to background, unretouched, and made at small apertures.

But where Weston was more preoccupied with form, Masclet's emphasis is on the human being. Where countless Weston imitators of the 1920's and '30's accepted Weston's techniques lock, stock, and barrel, Masclet borrowed what he wanted, altered and came up with pictures which mark him as a man with many photographic voices—all distinctly his own.

Just what did Masclet change? What part of his technique is his, and what part is Weston's? Added mobility is perhaps the greatest alteration. By shooting handheld whenever necessary, and (Continued on page 102)



get that flash off your camera!

FOUR WAYS TO IMPROVE YOUR PICTURES, THREE WAYS
TO MAKE YOUR FLASHGUN MORE FLEXIBLE . . . BY W. C. BALL

IT ALL BEGAN when I advised a friend to move the flashgun off his camera for picture taking—raise it high, hold it to one side, or bounce the light off ceiling or wall. This, I informed him loftily, would improve his flash pictures no end, cure the flat sameness which labels most direct flash photography.

He looked at me as if I were daft. "O.K.—show me how, and I will, but if I take the gun off this camera it won't flash." He was right. The pins supporting the gun on the camera also completed the electrical circuit to the shutter contacts. There was no outlet in the gun to permit use of an extension cord and flash, either.

If you have this problem (and most flash cameras do) here's a simple means to get the flash off *your* camera and make better pictures. It will work with any flashgun.

The main item is a 6- or 8-foot extension cord and socket set, with a spring wire clamp to fasten it to the back of a chair or the top of a door. It's available in electrical supply or camera stores for about \$1.50. On the socket fit an aluminum bowl reflector (9-in. diameter or smaller will do; about 75 cents). The idea is to plug the extension cord into the flashgun and fire the bulb on the end of the extension. Since we're assuming that your gun has no extension outlet, some adapter must be improvised. On page 87 are shown three simple methods, one of which was used with an Argus 40 to photograph model Jean Altman. Notice on these pages the variety of lighting effects possible with a camera in the moderate price range which ordinarily is limited to flat lighted, flash-on-the-camera results.

FLAT FLASH: Here's a better than average sample of accurately exposed flash (f/22, at 1/25 sec., Super-XX film) with the gun on the camera. Incidentally, can you make accurate flash exposures? It's easy. On each flashbulb package is a table of guide numbers. Each has been computed for a certain combination of film speed (ASA index), bulb type, and shutter speed. Select the guide number to match your film, bulb, shutter speed setup (220, for example); divide that number by your distance from the subject (10 ft., maybe). The result, 22, is the lens opening to use (f/22).

Unfortunately, no matter how carefully flash exposure is computed, pictures made with gun on camera will have a dreadful sameness in their lighting.











BOUNCE FLASH: Of all the ways to shoot flash pictures this gives the most diffused light, the softest shadows, the most delicate modeling. The light can be bounced in various ways. If pointed straight at a ceiling, flat, widespread illumination results. If light hits the ceiling at a 45° angle, it will bounce across a room, a great convenience in snapping large groups of people. Here, the flash was shot into an average light-colored ceiling-wall corner and bounced back down to the floor. It's not hard to compute such an exposure. First, estimate the distance in a straight line from the flashbulb to the subject. Using your guide number (Flat Flash, page 84) get the recommended lens opening. Then open up the diaphragm two full stops extra, to allow for bouncing the light. Exposure here: f/11 at 1/25th.



DIRECT FLASH, HIGH: This is the first step in improving the results shown on page 84. The flash has been raised high above, but directly over the camera. Newsmen do this frequently to add a little modeling to the face. Notice the shadow under the nose. If the flash is held too high, this will be obtrusive, may be long enough to interfere with the mouth line, an undesirable effect. This is a good way of getting the head shadow partly out of the picture—it's thrown down behind the shoulder. Exposure is figured by guide number, exactly as if the gun were being used on the camera.







FLASH IN HOUSEHOLD LAMPS: An ordinary household lamp can be used as a flash extension, simulating with great success and little effort the available light type of photography. Don't attempt this using the house current to flash the bulbs. The lamp must be plugged into the flash extension adapter (page 87) and the bulb is fired by the batteries in the flashgun. As always, exposure depends on the bulb-to-subject distance, not on the location of the camera. Here, the lamp was practically a reflector, gave lots of light. Exposure: f/22 at 1/25 sec.



DIRECT FLASH, HIGH AND TO SIDE:

This is an improvement over the direct flash, high, opposite, and is one of the most common lighting positions for one lamp. Although the reflector is clamped to a curtain rod here, many photographers hold it at arm's length to get much the same result. You have to be careful with one bulb used this way—if it's too far to the side (beyond 45° angle) one whole side of the face may be thrown into deep shadow. This setup is used frequently for dramatic effects. To fill shadows somewhat, allow one half stop more exposure than flat flash at the same distance.



HERE ARE THREE WAYS TO GET THAT FLASH OFF YOUR CAMERA

For flashguns with medium base sockets (1), insert a household screw base plug (10 cents), connect the extension to it; all's ready. If the gun takes only midget bulbs, buy in an electrical supply store a "bayonet to medium screw base adapter" (about 50 cents). This fits midget sockets, accepts a screw base plug for the extension (2). If you can't buy an adapter, one can be made from the base of an old midget bulb (3). Carefully scrape out glass. Solder one wire lead inside on the side wall; solder the second lead to the round contact point in the bottom of the base (this is a rather ticklish operation). Insulate the wires by filling up the base with hot candle wax or sealing wax. To the other end of the wire connect an outlet into which the extension can be plugged. That's all.







the Camera Clubs

by MABEL SCACHERI

Model nights can be successful at your club if you know some of the "do's" and "don'ts".

Of all camera club programs, there is not much doubt that the greatest hit with the greatest number is a "Model Night" or "Studio Night" program. It can be one of those affairs to which a member's good-looking cousin has been invited to pose for that circle of cameras on tripods. Or, the model may even be a cute youngster, if a photographer of children is to serve as demonstrator for the evening. But I believe the pretty blonde young lady really leads the field.

What do members want?

There is certainly no reason why a program chairman should not stage one of these affairs occasionally, provided everyone is very clear on the photographic gains to be expected. Do the members really want to learn something about portrait lighting, or do they merely want to click those shutters and flash those bulbs?

I bring the matter up because I have seen serious pros (who have been invited to these affairs) nearly blow their stacks at the obtuseness of the club members to the lighting points being demonstrated.

Everyone with the slightest savvy about lighting knows that many lighting set-ups are "right" only for certain camera angles. It is plain nonsense to inveigle some portrait or lighting expert to your club to wise you up on lighting ideas, and then, when he has demonstrated a type of lighting, have the members shoot from any old angle where they can manage to plant their tripods. This procedure naturally makes the pro resolve never again to visit that club.

Now, I know that camera club meetings should be fun as well as instructive. If learning light-placement is not fun, or if the sight of a pretty blonde is known to addle the wits of even the most sedate members, then why not make it a candid-photography event, or a natural-light deal? Bounce some strong light off the ceiling and walls, so it is possible to shoot candid. Then ask the model to move about, within a limited area, and go through some routine which will induce a variety of facial expressions.

Amateur vs. pro

I am inclined to favor the non-professional model for Model Night programs. The pro is just too good. She makes life too easy for the photographer, because she has a photogenic face and has been trained to take effective poses readily. The amateur is not going to be photographing models; he is going to make pictures of his sisters and his cousins and his aunts. He needs practice in taking attractive photographs of ordinary members of the human race.

It seems to me programs are not sufficiently discussed in advance with the members. How would this work? Before even mentioning Model Night, why not ask for a show of hands on "How many of you are interested in learning portrait lighting?" Quickly list the names of those who thrust up an eager hand. Then tell the club, "Next Tuesday night we are going to have Alfred Glamourguy demonstrate portrait lighting. Since our space is limited, I suggest that only those members who raised their hands bring cameras." And, when the demonstration is given, have these members make the shots-one guy at a timefrom the camera angle which the great Al G. had in mind when he arranged the floods and spots.

Pictures and prizes

There may, of course, be a predominance of haw-haw-haw boys in the club who want to turn these studio night sessions into a riot of mirth. Well, they pay dues; give them a break, too. You might combine two kinds of daffy amusement, thus: Choose two teams to put on charades. While they are acting out their little dramas, let the rest of the members shoot candid, with flash on or off the camera, or any way they like.

I know, some people are not very smart at charades. The program chairman might well cook up a list of "charadable" words in advance, and whisper them into the ear of the charade-team leaders. He might also add to the interest of the evening by offering some gag prizes—one for the most poignant actor of a charade, another for the gooflest picture made during the shooting. How about a slice of ham for the actor, and an inch-thick lens-cap for the photographer, for instance?

Vary your approach

The whole idea I am trying to express is simply this. You have to provide programs for people of varying interests. The best thing is to please one group first and then another. In this way the chairman doesn't have to be schoolmarmish and call the meeting snappily to order.

If you have some women members in the club, I believe they will be the ones who sit looking sour when a demonstrator of good lighting is put off by some guy shooting flat flash at his well-lighted model. It has been said that women have no sense of humor. Well, I dunno. I think they have a bit more sense of social appropriateness and decorum than many of the gents. They are more likely to be annoyed when the tone of any event goes haywire. If things are going to be serious, let them stay serious. If funny, the women can laugh too, and will probably do better than the men when it comes to charades! Anyway, it pays to keep on the good side of those cookie-baking lady members and listen to what the gals say, once in a while.—THE END



A free course in photographic fundamentals is part of Ridgewood (N.J.) Camera Club's program for its members. Cost to outsiders \$5, applicable to dues if they decide to join the club. Shown, *left*, is teacher Duncan Butler. Let's see some pictures of your club's activities. We'll pay \$10 for each black-and-white shot we use.

How to view Color Slides

One of our Brighter Minds, a mechanical genius, has just invented a handy homemade slide viewer (see right). To build one, you'll need one eye (with eyebrow, retractable lid, and automatic iris diaphragm). You'll also need one finger and a thumb, mounted on an arm with flexible elbow. Then, you'll have to have a light source such as a window, a large Wratten filter to balance the blue sky, plenty of string, some pulleys, a weight—and, of course, a Kodachrome transparency.

As indicated in the drawing, raising eyebrow (a) lowers Wratten filter (b) and causes weight (c) to drop on lever (d). This in turn, raises arm (e) which brings slide (f) into correct alignment. Light from source (g) then passes through the filter, through the transparency and into the eye (h) where the image is recorded.

Stop press!

We're pleased to announce a new Kodak product which eliminates the need of homemade, makeshift viewers. It's the handy handsome Kodaslide Pocket Viewer. Smaller than a pack of cigarettes. Folds to fit in your



pocket, has a ground and polished optical glass lens, gives 4× magnification. Only \$1.95. Carry it with a pocketful of your favorite Kodachrome slides, ready to flash on an un-

suspecting friend at a moment's notice, anywhere.

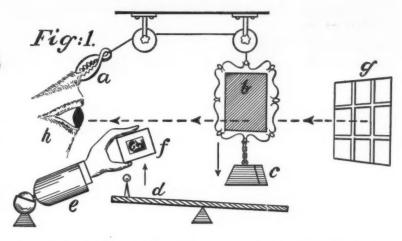
That's for away-from-home viewing, chiefly. But for showings to guests, and for fullest enjoyment, you'll want your slides projected big and brilliant, where all can view a picture at the same time. That means a Kodaslide Table Viewer or Projector.

Projector or viewer? Which comes first?

It would be nice if we all could afford both a table viewer and a projector at once, but not all of us can. Which one you should choose first rests largely on the size of the groups your slides will be shown to. If your audience will be small, not more than five or six at the most, then a Kodaslide Table Viewer is first choice. If you'll be showing to larger groups, then you should consider a Kodaslide Projector first, a viewer later.

Let's talk about table viewers first.

We make two, the Kodaslide Table Viewer, 4X, and the Kodaslide Table Viewer, Model A. Both combine projector and screen in a completely self-contained unit; there's nothing to set up, no rearranging of furniture. And the crisp, brilliant images on the Kodak Day-View Screen make it unnecessary to darken the room.



Now, which—the 4X or the Model A? If price is a major factor, look at the Kodaslide Table Viewer, 4X. It shows a fourtimes-enlarged view. Has a Kodak Projec-



tion Ektanon Lens, f/3.5, and both projection and condenser lenses are Lumenized. Heat-absorbing glass protects your slides. It has a manual side-to-side feed. And, it's housed in attractive mahogany-finish plastic. Price, \$37.50.

If you're looking for slightly bigger pictures, automatic slide changing, really beautiful styling, consider the Kodaslide Table Viewer, Model A. Slides are enlarged nearly five times. The Kodak Projection Ektanon Lens, f/3.5, is Lumenized, as is the double condenser lens. The plunger-type slide changer holds 75 cardboard slides or 30 double-glass slides, or a combination of both. The rugged die-cast aluminum body is finished in a handsome buff and brown. Price, \$97.50.

Which projector?

Any one of the four Kodaslide projectors is an excellent choice, depending upon your requirements. Basically, the difference between them is in the amount of light they project.



The Kodaslide Highlux III Projector provides enough light for almost any living room or small hall. It has a 5-inch Kodak Projection Ektanon Lens, f/3.5, Lumenized,

two Lumenized condenser lenses, and an aluminized glass reflector to provide brilliant screen images from a 300-watt lamp. Efficient blower cooling system cools both sides of the slide and ventilates the lamphouse. Vertical slide feed eliminates side-to-side jarring and unintentional repeats. Price, \$56.50.

Or, consider this: for \$36.50 you can start out with a Kodaslide Highlux II Projector which has the same features as the Highlux III, but with a 200-watt lamp and an efficient



convection cooling system. Later, you can add a Kodaslide Highlux Blower Case for \$19.20 which lets you use a 300-watt lamp.

For real thrift, the Kodaslide Merit Projector has the same basic design as the Highlux II but is not designed for blower cooling. Has a 150-watt lamp in a lamphouse that provides effective convection cooling. Price, only \$24.65.

And for top power, for professional or business use, in the largest auditorium, lecture hall, church, or home—pick the 1000-watt, blower-cooled Kodaslide Projector, Master Model. Choice of Kodak Projection Ektar and Ektanon Lenses in two focal lengths, \$169 up, depending on the lens you choose—and worth every cent of it.

We've given you the story. The next move is to visit your Kodak dealer and see what we've been talking about.



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BETTER PHOTOGRAPHY...



how to get fine prints

Normally, you start off by making straight contact prints, using the whole negative. That's fun for a while.

Then, you discover what can be done by enlarging, cropping, dodging, and print control... and you're started on one of the most exciting adventures photography has to offer.

In the darkroom, you quickly find that your choice of printing paper has a great deal to do with the effect of the finished print. Here is some practical advice on how to choose the photographic papers that best meet your needs.

Basic papers to start with...

For contact printing. It's usually a quick step from contact printing to enlarging. But your contact printer will always be useful for making album prints and file prints. Kodak Velox Paper is an excellent contact printing paper to choose. It comes in six different grades, to give you good prints from the widest possible range of negatives. And it has the crisp, blue-black tone most people like.

For enlarging. Enlarging is more fun; and enlarging papers come in such a wide variety of paper types and textures, your





To match your negatives, Medalist comes in four grades, Kodabromide in fue. No. 1 is right for negatives with very thin clear areas and dense black shadows, the "soot and whitewash" ones. No. 2 is best for good "average-contrast" negatives; try it first. Nos. 3, 4, and 5 are for negatives that are "flat," without sharp contrasts between blacks and whites. It's a good idea to experiment with all the grades of one paper first, using a variety of negatives. That way you'll learn how each grade performs. And you'll know which grade to choose when you use other papers.

opportunities for self-expression are almost unlimited. But it's wise to start with one basic paper you can rely on for consistently good results. We suggest Kodak Medalist Paper.

You'll find Medalist is an easy paper to use because it offers such wide latitude in printing and developing time. It gives you the quality you want; rich warm blacks, clear sparkling whites, a full range of crisp middle tones. Medalist is easy to handle, a rugged paper that's uniform in response from sheet to sheet. It's fast enough to get out a lot of prints in an evening, yet allows

plenty of time for dodging and manipulating

Incidentally, we recently published a folder, "Your Key to Fine Prints," that will



help you make the most of Medalist Paper. It's available without charge from your Kodak dealer.

If you're the impatient type, or if your darkroom time is very limited, Kodabromide Paper may suit you even better than Medalist. Kodabromide is an extra high speed paper that lets you turn out more prints in an evening, or make bigger prints with shorter exposures. The blacks are rich, cool, and deep, the highlights clear and bright. Kodabromide has a hardened emulsion, which means it is resistant to scratching and abrasion during development. And it has a wide range of textures, can take care of a variety of subjects.

Try your wings...

A popular paper surface to start with is Medalist G. It's cream white with a fine-grained luster surface that's slightly pebbled to add richness without loss of definition. Once you have learned to get full value from this one surface, it's easy to branch out into others to match the mood of various subjects. For instance, Medalist J, a sparkling high-luster paper, or Medalist Y, cream white in a glittering silk finish.

We have emphasized Medalist and Kodabromide Papers because they're good papers to start with. But eventually you'll want to explore the possibilities of our many specialized papers. Kodak Opal, for instance, which comes in many unusual surfaces such as suede matte and strong-textured tapestry luster. Perhaps you'll want to make big salon prints, portraits, photomurals for your game room, or translucent prints for rear illumination. Ask your Kodak dealer to show you a Kodak paper sample book. Then make your selection from that. As a guide to what to look for, a few of these papers are listed here.



The heart of a picture is often only a small part of the whole negative. Experimental cropping on a test print helps you choose the area that will give you the best composition. Blow that part up big and you've turned a good negative into a dramatic, exciting enlargement.

You can also improve your prints by judicious dodging to subdue unwanted parts or bring out others. And, of course, you can choose a paper that helps achieve the effect you want.

Contact papers

Kodak Ad-Type Paper can be folded without cracking. It is the favorite for French-fold greeting cards.

Aristo and **Atheng** are warm-tone doubleweight contact papers, primarily for professional use.

Azo is available in single weight and double weight, glossy as well as fine-grained luster surface, and printing grades to fit all types of negatives.

Enlarging papers

Opal is a professional-type paper, widely used for salon prints where great warmth of tone and a long scale of values are desired. It offers more tint and texture combinations than any other paper we make. One grade only, for "normal-contrast" negatives.

Platino is faster than Opal, slightly less warm in tone, comes in three printing grades.

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Resisto Rapid is a projection paper similar to Kodabromide, but on a water-resistant stock so that it dries almost immediately.

Ektalure is a paper of great warmth, faster than Opal. Ektalure G is especially suitable for making enlargements to be hand colored.

Illustrators' Special, widely used for making prints for reproduction, is similar to Kodak Ektalure in speed, but is on pure white stock.

Translite Enlarging is widely used for prints and displays to be illuminated from the rear. It has a special translucent base.



making them even better

You switch on your enlarger light and make your exposure. You're on the way to a superb print. But there are things you can do to make it even better.

Your choice of paper and developer helps start your print toward the mood you wish. After the print is washed you can use a toner to obtain a special tint. After drying, final "spotting" removes any small blemishes, and proper mounting brings out the full effect of the print.

To help you choose the materials you need, we've listed the basic ones on this page. Look them over. Then see your Kodak dealer.

Developing your prints...

The right solutions for developing your prints are as important as the paper you choose. They should be uniform in action from lot to lot, easy to use, fast to prepare.

Kodak chemical preparations are your best choice. They're ready mixed; in most cases you merely add a measured quantity of water and they're ready for use. They're precision blet ded to make sure you get the same results every time. Complete instructions for use are printed on every package. And, as you'll see, they're thrifty.

For contact printing, the handiest buy is the Kodak Tri-Chem Pack. Each package contains developer, stop bath, and fixer,



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ints the each sufficient to make 8 ounces of solution enough for 50 prints 21/2 x 31/2 inches. Price, 20¢.

Fast action, uniform results, and good keeping quality are three reasons why you'll want to use Kodak Dektol Developer for enlargements. Basic for Medalist and Kodabromide Paper, it works well with all Kodak papers. Gives you rich blacks and clean whites. Comes in powder form to make 16 ounces for 35¢; to make 1 quart, 42¢; to make 1 gallon, 78¢.

Save money on your fixing solutions by using Kodak Universal Stop Bath (with indicator). It stops development instantly and prevents developer solution from being carried over into the fixing bath. Makes the fixing solutions last longer, and helps prevent overworking of the fixing bath. The stop bath turns purple when exhausted, giving you a safety signal. Six packets, each sufficient to prepare 8 ounces of solution, cost 30¢.

Reliable flxing is essential to the permanence of your prints: Recommended for use with all Kodak papers is the Kodak Acid Fixer. This is a convenient single-powder preparation which goes into solution easily and promptly. It can also be used with films and plates. A package sufficient to make 1 quart of solution, 20¢; 1/2 gallon, 31¢; 1 gallon, 51 é.

Kodafix Solution is even more convenient. Just dilute with water. Gives long life, high capacity, and fast fixation. Quart bottle yields 1 gallon of fixer for films, 2 gallons for print fixing. \$1.

Adding the finishing touches . . .

You can, and you probably will, start out by mounting your prints in an album. That is an excellent way to keep them handy for quick reference and to show your friends. However, you will gradually accumulate pictures that you feel are worth more handsome treatment. You can do a lot, particularly with enlargements, in toning, mounting, and special finishing.

Mood and atmosphere are many times heightened through toning-blue for a marine or snow scene, sepia or brown for a



character study. To give your prints this special extra quality, choose the Kodak toners. Kodak Brown Toner, 90¢ per bottle; Kodak Rapid Selenium Toner, \$1 per bottle; Kodak Sepia Toner, 16¢ per packet; Kodak Blue Toner, 78¢ per packet.

No spots. An occasional fleck of dust or abrasion on the negative cannot always be helped, and it is magnified right along with your picture. Sometimes, on rough-surface papers, dust images can be "spotted out" with a pencil. However, the professional way of doing it is with Kodak Spotting Colors. They come in black, white, and

sepia and can be used for retouching prints or negatives. A 3-color set is \$1.10; ten each of any of the three colors, \$2.40. Kodak Spotting Brushes for these colors are of high-quality camel hair and come in six sizes. You'll probably want to start with No. 0 De Luxe, 60é.

Mounting is important in making a neat looking print. Easiest of the mounting materials to use is Kodak Thermount Tissue. A sheet of tissue is placed between the print and the mount and heat applied to the surface of the print, fusing print and mount together. Thermount Tissue mounts at a low temperature. This makes it particularly useful for mounting color prints which might be affected by heat. Comes in 5-yd. x 20inch rolls, \$1.21, and in packages at prices from 20¢ for 25 sheets 21/2 x 21/2 to \$1.69 for 150 sheets 5 x 7.

Brilliance is sometimes a problem with prints made on the non-glossy surfaced papers. While they are wet in the wash water, they look just right. In drying, that brilliance often seems to vanish. A few drops of Kodak Print Lustre will restore richness and brilliance to prints made on moderateluster or rough-surfaced photographic paper. It puts the original richness and depth back in the black tones. A 4-ounce bottle is 60¢.

You'll save paper with a Kodak Projection Print Scale. You just make a test print through this scale, read the correct printing time directly on the test print. This device assures accurate exposures without waste of time. \$1.15.



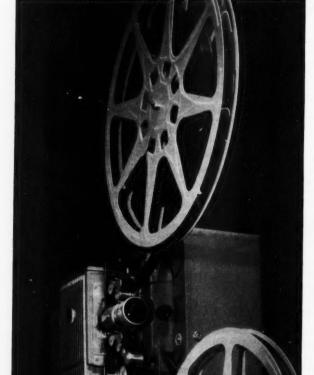
Knowing how makes everything you do in the darkroom more fun, the results more satisfying. A good source of prac-tical information is

"Bigger and Better— the Book of Enlarging." It contains everything you need to know about enlarging, from the elementary steps to the short cuts of the professionals. 253 pages, profusely illustrated, \$2.95 at

Prices include Federal Tax where applicable and are subject to change without notice.

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Shown above is the Kedascope Pageant 16mm. Sound Projector, Model 1, sold by thousands of Kodak dealers. Five special-purpose models are available from Kodak Audio-Visual Dealers. And each is the lowest-priced neglector in the class.

There are also two 16mm. silent Kodascepe Projectors that are built to the same design and incorporate the same optical and mechanical features as the Pageant—the Kodascepe Royal Projector for standard projection... and the Kodascepe Analyst Projector, specially equipped for critical motion-picture analysis.

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IN 16mm. SOUND PROJECTION ...

Only the Pageant offers <u>all five</u> top-important sound-projection features

... and each Pageant model is the lowest-priced projector in its field!

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- 2. Permanently quiet. The show belongs on the screen. There's no place for show-stealing projector noise. Nylon gears, the Pageant's non-skip pull-down mechanism, its minimum of moving parts, with all shafts designed for low-speed operation, combine to keep the Pageant's noise level way down ... permanently.
- 3. Provision for optimum sound...anywhere. The highest quality sound... in adequate volume... properly distributed so everyone can hear... is vital to full enjoyment of your shows. In the Pageant the finest type of audio amplifying equipment, an adequate speaker of proper design and capacity—plus the availability of additional matched speakers to meet acoustically difficult conditions—give you full assurance of quality sound, whether you show movies in large or small auditoriums or at home.
- 4. Sharp, clear pictures. Screen and film are flat, but conventional lenses have curved fields. As a result, images projected by such lenses can never be completely in focus—when the center is sharp, outside edges must be blurred... and when you focus for the outside edges of the image, the center area must lose sharpness. But with a Pageant, crisp over-all focus is never a problem! An exclusive field-sharpening element—built into the standard lens—eliminates field curvature to make possible crisp, clear projection over the whole screen area.
- 5. Clear-as-a-bell tone quality. The Pageant's unique Fidelity Control completely does away with fuzzy sound reproduction. It permits exact focusing of the sound scanning beam whether the sound track is threaded toward or away from the lens.

No other 16mm, sound projector offers all these advantages—advantages that result in better performance, freedom from trouble, ease of use, and longer life!

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Dr. Cinema says...

Camera technique is only half the battle. Your projection technique is the other half.

Showmanship is sadly neglected by most amateur movie-makers. There's nothing mysterious about it, though. Showmanship is largely a matter of habits. Good habits.

Your movies are primarily intended to give an audience a certain impression. In a family birthday party film, for example, you want the viewer to feel he is right there at the party. You want him to sense the atmosphere, to see people and events as if he were viewing them first-hand. Anything interfering will destroy the desired effect. Poor camera work, of course, will do just that. And so will poor projection technique.

How to plan your set-up

Although your guests may not suspect it until they walk into the trap, you generally know in advance when you will be showing a home movie. The first step in making the whole thing "painless" for your guests is to have everything set up and ready to roll when they walk into the screening room. The screen should be placed so that everyone can obtain an unobstructed view without having to duck the projector beam. The projector itself should be well in back of the audience rather than right in among 'em. If possible, arrange to control at least one room light from the projectionist's position so you won't have to stumble across a lot of feet and legs in the gloom. In a pinch, coax a member of the family to turn the room lights off and on as needed.

The screen should be raised fairly high. With an average lens-to-screen distance you can do this without keystoning (being wider at top than at bottom). And even a very slight keystoning is preferable to having people's heads poking into the projecting beam.

Edit it before you inflict it!

Editing is an essential part of showmanship. The final version of an edited film should be wound on reasonably large reels. Nothing is more dismaying than to have to listen to a cinematographic host jangling film cans, or muttering apologies as he tries to find one of many short reels. When this occurs, folks know they are in for an unrelaxed hour or two of short films interspersed with annoying sessions of threading and fumbling. In an unedited film, that length of black leader between halves of a roll can seem 500 yards long when it moves in on the screen during a show.

Let me repeat that point about showing only an edited film! A swell beach scene, for example, will be ruined if you show it before you've cut out the fuzzy, badly exposed sections. A short length of good film is far better than a hundred feet of good and poor stuff intermixed.

Don't stop to rewind between reels. And if you want to show only part of a reel, run off the preceding footage before your guests arrive. If a film breaks during a show, don't impose on people by stopping to splice it. Instead, have a roll of narrow gummed tape handy, and use it to make a quick emergency splice at a point beyond the last sprocket roller.

Fill the screen with images

If possible, try to fill the screen area exactly with the projected image. In your own home you probably know from experience that this will result when the projector is placed on the piano bench and the screen is positioned just in front of the dining room table. If you normally use a certain projection distance that doesn't fill the entire screen, you might try rigging up a black matte cardboard or plywood "picture frame" to be attached to the screen.

If you show to large audiences . . .

When you project to larger audiences at the church or club, you will probably be using a larger screen—hence will need a larger image. If you can't "back up" the projector far enough to get a

big image, you may want to invest in an extra projection lens of shorter focal length which will cover a wider screen at

a given distance. These lenses are available for both 8mm and 16mm outfits. Your dealer can show you tables that indicate the exact image size you will get with a lens of a given focal length at a given projector-to-screen distance. Again, try to exactly fill the screen area without a white border.



Projectors need care

Be fussy about your projector. If it's the kind that takes lubrication, oil it as recommended. Too much oil is as bad as not enough because excess oil will be spattered over your film as well as the projector itself. Before each show, clean the condensers and optical parts with lens tissue; remove the "whiskers" from the film gate with a soft brush.

Periodically your projector needs a more thorough check-up. Remove particles of hardened emulsion from the film gate with a soft orange stick; dust off the projection lamp; clean the sprockets and rollers and make sure all screws are in place and tight. Also get the dust and lint out of the blower-fan housing.

In case of emergency . . .

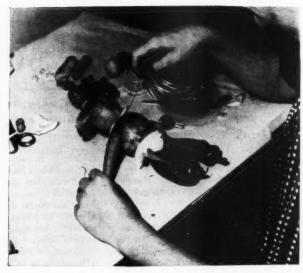
There'll be emergencies someday—so keep a spare lamp handy. Also have an extra spring belt on hand (unless your machine is all gear-driven). Your projector pulls a fair amount of juice, comparatively speaking, so use heavy-duty extension cords and strong, reliable plugs and sockets. Keep all cords (and if it's a sound job, the speaker cable as well) out of the way by running them along a baseboard or a picture moulding instead of across the room.

MOVIE SECTION

If you show a film away from home, try to take your own projector along. A friend's machine may be a film-chewing clunker for all you know. As for loaning out your projector or films—my advice is to consider such a loan exactly as you'd consider loaning out your favorite tooth brush.—THE END.



Cliff Bach makes cartoon characters for animation out of almost anything, including vegetables and bits of wire.



Soft wire is used to join and strengthen the body sections. Movable parts (arms, legs, etc.) have wire hinges.

LOOK ALIVE!

Any movie-maker can animate comic puppets . . . by John Burroughs

MANY MOVIE-MAKERS imagine that special equipment is needed in order to give inanimate objects an illusion of life and motion. That-fortunately-just isn't so! An animated title in which letters tumble into organized words, or a group of puppets act out an entire "shooting script" can be filmed with any camera. Patience and imagination, not fancy gadgets, are the key to sprightly animation.

The puppet cartoon set-ups shown on these pages were made by Cliff Bach, a 16mm movie-maker who learned to animate "silly looking characters" by trial and error. Some of Bach's shrewdly planned, smoothly animated puppet cartoons in color are funny enough to convulse a millionaire on tax day. The essence of his work-from the construction of his puppets and sets to the plot of

his cartoon story—is simplicity.

Whenever a home movie-maker sees one of Bach's puppets cavorting on a screen, he almost invariably asks. "What on earth is that little drip made of?" It may be made of modeling clay. Or wood or plaster. Or of papiermâché, plastic, or sponge rubber. Bach has animated puppets concocted of everything from garden vegetables to polystyrene. Any kind of character goes in stop-motion animation-be it a whittled stick or a sculptured masterpiece. The only provision is that it have movable arms and legs. You can make a puppet by joining his sections together with lengths of flexible wire at the wrists, shoulders, neck, knees, and ankles. Or, using plastic material, you can model the entire figure around a soft wire skeleton. This can be "bent" as required.

Cartoon characters generally have greatly exaggerated heads. To see how professional artists handle figures and faces in cartoon treatment, look over the cartoon characters in any magazine. These characters will give you an idea of size proportions; if mobility of expression in extreme close-ups is desirable, the head can be made from plastic modeling clay. The trick is to remodel the features as you shoot, gradually changing the expression from, say, a full frown to a full smile.

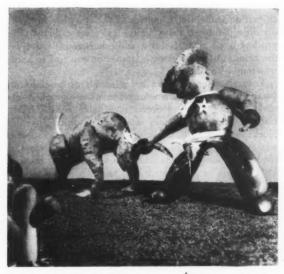
Unless you have an original screen play in mind, pick a classic fairy tale from a children's book. Try to simplify the story line until not even the sleepiest three-year-old could possibly misunderstand it. Play up the comic and the happy situations—partly because they are easier to express, and partly because comic cartoon characters have a tendency, as a rule, to appear a little out of char-

acter in sad, depressing situations.

Divide your story into scenes, then break down each scene into individual actions. Go through every motion and expression change yourself, timing the action. If a bit of action should take one second, and you plan to project the finished film at 16 frames per second, you will, of course, photograph the action in 16 frames of animation. In other words, you'll use 16 frames of film to record this bit of action from beginning to end. If a



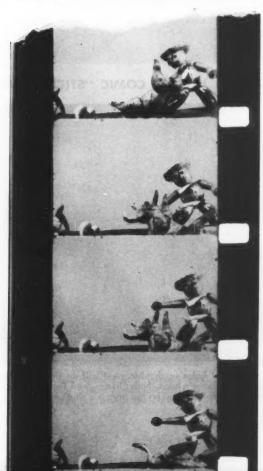
This table-top "shooting set" is simplicity itself. Rock-steady camera support was made from old power tool parts.



Puppet stands erect by wires extending from his feet through holes drilled in set. Spaced holes let him "walk."



Two clippings, left and below, from Cliff Bach's finished cartoon show a sweet-potato bull charging a vegetable vaquero, being clobbered over the head, and slinking away. Note the amount of movement shown from one frame to the next. By using concealed wires, Bach can even make some of his talented characters do cartwheels!



character is to turn his head from left to right, smoother animation will result from *timing* the complete turn and dividing it into so many individual frames than by depending upon a "rule-of-thumb" technique of *measuring* the amount of turn between frames in terms of so many fractions of an inch.

Your shooting sets can be as simple or as elaborate (without too many distracting details) as you choose to make them. Bach uses every imaginable kind of material for his built-to-scale sets, relying upon invisible blocks, wedges, nails, wires, or cellophane tape to support sets and puppets alike. When a puppet doesn't stand up the way he should, for example, a wire support stuck in his backside can be used to support him without being visible from the camera position. By means of unobtrusive wire supports, Bach can even make a puppet do a double somersault realistically!

For many small sets, ordinary photofloods and spotlights can be used for over-all illumination. In some instances, small lights may be needed for street lamps, store windows, etc. Use your imagination here—penlight flashlights, concealed colored Christmas tree lights, white lights covered with cellophane—you've all kinds of light-

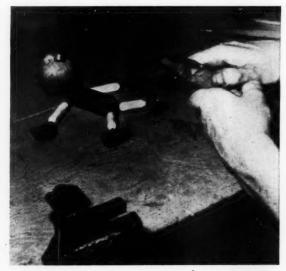
ing gimmicks to choose from.

It is extremely important, of course, that the camera be on a rock-steady support. If your camera is designed to expose a single frame at a time, fine. If not, use a cable release to trip the starter button briefly. This method will result in exposing 2 or 3 frames at a time—but will generally be satisfactory as far as the final results are concerned. Once you have completed your first attempt at animation—who knows? You may even come to agree with Cliff Bach that puppets are better actors than people. At least they don't talk back!—THE END

HOW TO ANIMATE

- 1. Mount your camera on a rock-steady support. If on a tripod, make sure there will be no vibrations that can spoil the scene. Choose a simple story plot; avoid complicated shooting sets, difficult lighting.
- 2. Choose the camera angle carefully. If puppets are partly supported by wire, pins, etc., make certain that these supports won't show.
- 3. Time each motion puppet is to make by going through it yourself. This is the key (see text) to exposing just the right number of picture frames for more realistic animation.
- 4. Use the single-frame device if your camera has one. Otherwise press the starter button as briefly as possible for each "take." A cable release will help to avoid jarring the camera when an exposure is made. How much a puppet's head, arms, feet, torso, etc., should be moved between takes depends upon the action taking place, and how long (see text) you want the action to project at 16 frames per second (silent), or 24 frames per second if you plan to add magnetic sound on film.

HOW TO MAKE A COMIC "STICK FIGURE" CHARACTER



1. A piece of balsa or dry boxwood will do for whittling out a stick figure's head, body, hands, and feet. The legs and arms are short dowels; the nose is a short wooden peg.



2. A cartoon puppet's head is usually exaggerated in size, individual features and, to some extent, coloration. Use your imagination here but remember to keep it simple!



Built-to-scale shooting sets can be quite simple, yet at the same time suggest much more elaborate surroundings. The secret is to build in detail only what

Shot frame by frame, this puppet, left, will appear

to walk naturally. Wires extending from his feet to holes drilled in the "sidewalk" are the key to the trick. Photofloods give illusion of bright daylight.

the camera will see from several different angles, then emphasize detailed objects by careful lighting.



Cliff Bach does a live-action version of a cartoon scene in front of a mirror, timing each essential movement and expression change as explained in the text.





3. Egg-shaped movable eyes can be fitted into shallow holes lined with putty. Drill holes where two parts meet, paint, use short pieces of pipe cleaner to serve as joints.



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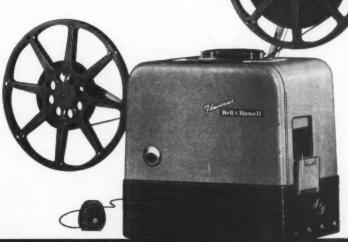
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for processing, you are in for long delays and a lot of expense. Frankly, we think you should get rid of the 9.5mm rig and reinvest in an 8mm or 16mm camera. It'll be cheaper by far any way you look at it.

Q. I've read ads about preservative "treatments" for movie film. What are these preservative treatments?

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Q. The last time I used a chemical (Fotofade), to produce wipes etc. on color film they turned out brownish instead of black. Can you tell me the cause of this brownish cast?

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Q. How can I remove little pieces of hardened emulsion from my projector gate where it scratches the film?

A. Use an orange stick or a soft, blunt scraper—but never anything hard enough to scratch the polished metal surface. If necessary, have a jeweler or camera repairmen remove the very stubborn particles.

Free booklets on specialized moviemaking subjects are on the increase. Three new booklets, in our opinion, deserve the spotlight this month. Indoor Movies Made Easy is a 12 page booklet on indoor lighting of use to both beginners and advanced movie makers. Secrets of Color Projection is a 16-pager packed with solid information. Popular Home Movie Stories, Birthdays, Holidays, and Weddings cover just that. Name of distributor of each booklet will be sent on request. Please send a separate postcard or request in connection with each booklet you would like to obtain.



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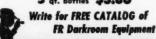
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using cameras smaller than the classic 8 x 10 which Weston set on a tripod, Masclet was able to get photographs like The Man Who Waits. Many others, including the remaining pictures shown here, were made with camera on a tripod.

Five years ago Masclet bought a Leica-a highly unWestonian piece of apparatus. But this is well in line with his rule of thumb for choosing cameras: usually, the faster the action the smaller the negative size. So for portraits and objects which don't move, there is the 13 x 18cm Linhof Technika (about 5 x 7 inches), and the stand-in 13 x 18cm Huillard view camera; for subjects with some motion, the 4 x 5 Speed Graphic (he has also used a Graflex and a Rolleiflex): and his latest camera, the Leica, is reserved for the more rapid action found in reporting. Negatives are developed either in pyro, or his own special formula which allows him great variation in both developing time and solution temperature. Film is usually Kodak Super XX.

It is legend that Weston didn't enlarge his big negatives-would never crop after the exposure was made. Masclet follows the same general point of view, but in less rigid form. Big negatives are enlarged, but rarely to more than two or three times their original size. Cropping is usually done at the time the picture is made, though occasionally Masclet resorts to it in enlarging. Neither believes in retouching, but Masclet sometimes uses special effects like solarization and

multiple exposure.

True versatility, however, has its roots in more than varied technique. No matter what tools Masclet uses to give form to his visual concepts, the seeing and resulting photographs remain his ownvaried in approach, powerful and penetrating in effect. It seems almost impossible that one man should have such breadth. Straight photography, experiment, photo-journalism, portraiture. Each shows Masclet's desire to say as much as he can in one picture. Together they illustrate his belief that photography has no other limits than the photographer himself.—THE END.





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New photo books

PHOTOGRAPHY WITH BASIC CAMERAS. Written and illustrated by William P. Gottlieb. 44 pages. Alfred A. Knopf, New York. Price \$1.50.

Here is a "family activity book," a guide to picture taking with a simple camera. Directed especially to young readers, the rules are simply presented and are garnished with sketches and photographs.

What camera and film to buy; how to pose a subject, take scenic shots, and use color and flash are briefly covered. There's a section on techniques for trick effects: tricks for stopping action, and tricks for faking it. It's curious that only a few pages distant from this the author says that natural pictures are best. Perhaps it would be better not to encourage young-comers to the field to fall into patterns of photo fabrications at all.—D. J.

PICTORIAL HISTORY OF AMERICAN SHIPS, by John and Alice Durant. 312 pages, profusely illustrated. A. S. Barnes and Co., New York. Price \$10.

A fantastic compendium of briny Americana, from the earliest Indian dugout canoe to the present, has been skillfully woven into a fascinating, readable picture book by the authors. In it, old engravings, wood cuts, maps, posters, drawings and photographs intermingle with a vivid text which serves to hold the volume together. Whaling, the slave trade, sea monsters, steamboat races, polar exploration and commercial fishing are a few of the subjects treated. Some of the illustrations may seem familiar, but the greater part have seldom, if ever, been printed in modern times. Unfortunately the reproduction does not do any of the illustrations justice. Pictorial History of American Ships, however, is in every other way a splendid book, whether you own a sevenmasted schooner, do your sailing from an armchair, or have only a passing interest in ships.-H. K.

PHOTOGRAPHY YEAR-BOOK 1954, edited by Norman Hall and Helmut Gernsheim. 208 pages. Published for Photography by Press Centre Ltd., London. Rayelle Publications, Phila., Pa. Price \$4.95.

PHOTOGRAMS 1954. 135 pages. Published for Amateur Photographer by liffe & Sons Ltd., London. Variety Books, Bronxville 8, N. Y. Price \$3.

Here are two British photographic annuals as divergent as night and day. Photography Year-Book 1954, in a radical departure from former issues represents the new, the versatile, the progressive approach to photography as it exists in Europe today. Photograms 1954 holds to the English Salon-(Continued on page 104)

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ist approach which has seen little change since Disraeli made Victoria Empress of India. According to the Photogram flyleaf, the book contains a selection from the most important photographic salons of the year. The photographs are extremely interesting when compared with the section "Photograms of the Past;" David Octavius Hill, Alfred Stieglitz and Mrs. Julia Margaret Cameron were making more progressive photographs around the turn of the century than the British salonists are today.

For an idea of what the British salonists are doing, you need only glance at the picture titles: "pensive," "the breath of the past," "sunflowers in the courtyard," and, of course, "morning mist." But for a particularly nauseous photographic "still life" a viewer must go right to the picture which has as subject material: one dead rabbit, two dead birds, two bottles of champagne, a leather bag, a goblet, dead leaves, empty shot gun shells and a velvet table covering.

A far more palatable book is that edited by Messrs. Hall and Gernsheim (*Photograms*, perhaps wisely, does not reveal its compilators).

Here you will find some of the newest and finest work of Suschitzky, Boubat. Sabine Weiss, Masclet, Therese Le Prat. The variety is splendid, the reproduction excellent, the presentation in the best of taste. Photography from all countries this side of the Iron Curtain is represented. There's also an American section which does not measure up to the quality of the European work. Obviously the editors are more familiar with and have better access to the work of continental and British photographers. The editors have wisely refrained from captioning each picture, letting the photograph speak for itself. Technical data and the addresses of each photographer are listed in the rear of the annual.

It would be unfair to single out any one photographer or photograph from this volume for particular honors. It's interesting to note, however, that one of the finest photographs in *Photograms*, a portrait by Swedish Photographer Rolf Winquist, also appears in *Photography Year-Book*. In this latter volume, the portrait appears larger and is far better reproduced.—H. K.

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What's Ahead?

by LLOYD E. VARDEN



How are photographic emulsions made light sensitive? Are the "new" methods really new? Here's a progress report.

In a previous article I discussed some of the new methods in photography that were described at the Royal Photographic Society Conference on the Science and Applications of Photography, held in London last Fall. Of the some 150 papers presented, however, about one-half concerned the underlying science of photographic processes already known in the photographic world. It might seem strange that after 100 years of photography the actual mechanism of what takes place during the formation of the latent image and its development is still unfathomed. Nevertheless, scientists are quite in doubt about many aspects of the subject, even though much empirical progress, useful in improving photographic emulsion sensitivity, has been made in recent years.

It is impossible to treat the subject of emulsion sensitivity adequately in a short column. Broadly, the efficiency of a silver halide crystal in absorbing light energy and utilizing it to form a developable latent image determines the ultimate sensitivity of an emulsion. The total process of latent image formation undoubtedly takes place in two steps. The first involves the release of electrons within the crystal; the second involves the fate of the electrons after they are released.

The electrons are derived from the "halide" part of the crystal, causing this part to form free halogen, e.g., when silver bromide absorbs light, bromine atoms are released in the crystal. However, if the electrons ejected by the light recombine with the freed halogen atoms, nothing is gained, because the original silver halide is re-formed and not the desired latent image. Therefore, in the second step of latent image formation, the efficiency is first determined by how well the halogen atoms are removed from the field of action. The electrons are then available as free agents to eventually cause latent image growth. These electrons can accumulate at certain points within the crystal, or more likely on the crystal surface where impurities exist, which create electron "traps." The negative electrical charge established by the electrons at these points attracts surplus silver ions existing in the crystal to form electrically neutral atoms of silver as each silver ion takes up one of the trapped electrons. (An "ion" is an electrically unbalanced atom that lacks one or more electrons, or that has an excess of electrons, in comparison to a full-fledged atom which is electrically neutral.) Thus, a small speck of silver metal is produced that can act as a development center for the entire crystal if the size of the speck becomes large enough, say, 10 silver atoms or more.

Four ways to increase sensitivity

Now we can return to the question of what makes an emulsion sensitive. It is obvious on the basis of the above that anything which contributes to the rapid consumption or holding of the freed halogen atoms-following light exposure-will improve sensitivity. With the halogen atoms out of the way, anything that then promotes efficient utilization of the electrons released during the exposure also will improve sensitivity. Ignoring other factors of sensitivity, there are four general methods for chemically sensitizing a silver halide. However, just how each method functions is not completely certain, i.e., it is not known for sure whether the particular sensitizing method leads to more efficient capturing of electrons or to removing more readily the released halogen atoms, or to both. There is another possibility, too. The sensitization may enable smaller than normal development centers to have the property of inducing developer action just as well as larger centers. That is, only 3 or 4 atoms of silver might be sufficient to bring about development instead of 10 or more. These four methods are given below, but with very scant discussions:

1. Mere contact of the silver halide crystals with gelatin to establish a surface complex that creates light sensitivity apart from that created by chemically active constituents of gelatin used for emulsions.

2. Sulfur sensitization brought about by naturally occurring sulfur compounds in gelatin or by sulfur compounds added to the gelatin. The sulfur forms silver sulfide specks on the crystal surface which may act as electron traps, as halogen removers, or as both.

3. Reduction sensitization by compounds that cause partial reduction of the silver halide crystals to form specks of silver metal. In effect this can be considered as a means for be-

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ginning the latent image prior to exposure, leaving less work to be performed by the light energy in bringing the latent image specks to a large enough size to cause development.

4. Gold sensitization produced by atoms of gold deposited on the silver halide crystals during emulsion manufacture. It is thought that the gold atoms enable a small latent image speck to induce developer action, whereas a larger speck, requiring more light exposure to produce, would be necessary without the gold.

Are these methods really new?

If one searches long enough in the literature of photography he will find that most things which we consider new have been done before or have been hinted at in some way or another. The gelatin sensitization effect on silver halides, for example, has been known for 60 years, but only in recent years has it been studied extensively. Sulfur sensitization was established nearly 30 years ago and has been widely studied. Reduction sensitization, in some of the more recent reports, is made to appear relatively modern, whereas Bingham described the principle quite clearly around 1850. He stated the following:

"Reasoning upon the principle that the action of light is to reduce the salts' of silver in the paper to the metallic state, and that any substance which

would reduce silver would also quicken the action of light, we were led to the following experiment. . . ." The experiment consisted of treating a silver bromide paper with a very weak solution of tin chloride prior to exposure. According to Bingham a very considerable increase in sensitivity resulted.

In the case of gold sensitization it is not possible to go back very far. The discovery of the gold effect as now understood and practiced was made in 1936. However, efforts to make use of gold in emulsions in colloidal form and otherwise had been carried out several years before 1936. Dr. F. W. H. Mueller of Ansco (R.P.S. Centenary Conference, paper to be published) and more recently Dr. Robert Koslowsky of Agfa in Germany (Photo. Korr., Vol. 89, No. 12, 1953) have given the best reviews on the subject. The really amazing thing is that the effect was not discovered early, considering the very long history of gold salts in photography. Robert Hunt's Photography A Treatise on the Chemical Changes Produced by Solar Radiation, American Edition, 1852, has a special section entitled On the Use of the Salts of Gold as Photographic Agents. He relates many experiments of his own and those of Sir John Herschel on the light sensitivity of gold salts, but nothing came of them. Neither worker appears to have tried any additions of gold salts to silver halide preparations.

However, Daguerre, in April 1844,

published in Comptes Rendus his findings with respect to the effect of gold in increasing the sensitivity of silver bromide, and touched upon some interesting points, although his theoretical explanations were obviously not in accord with present knowledge. Bromine had been introduced for fuming iodide-covered silver plates to increase sensitivity, but the results were not consistent. Daguerre flowed various solutions of heavy metal salts over silver plates prior to sensitizing and claimed superior results, both in sensitivity and gradation. He stated, "By adding gold to the metals which I first used, I am enabled to avoid the great difficulty which the use of bromine, as an accelerating (sensitizing) substance, presented." He applied the metal salts in combination, but gold appears to have been essential. A typical combination of solutions was mercuric bichloride, mercuric cyanide, gold chloride and platinum chloride. Of course, the latent image of Daguerre's day was not developed as in later methods of photography, but if chemical development is nothing more than an extension of the processes of latent image formation, it is conceivable that the heavy metal salts used by him did contribute to more efficient latent image formation, regardless of the after-treatments applied.

In some respects, then, we can conclude that "What's Ahead" rests in 'what's behind."—THE END.

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LOOKING FOR VARIETY? Let your camera range from full face lighting to silhouettes. You may think full or semi-silhouetted pictures are always static, but they don't need to be. They can be as full of life and motion as the photograph of the dancing children on the opposite page. It all depends on your subject—and on your camera eye.

The trick is to underexpose the shadows if you don't want detail to appear in those areas. In the picture of the children, for example, exposure was calculated for the water; in the photograph of the cats, it was for the light colored fur of the animal near the wall.

Any reader is welcome to submit any number of black-and-white pictures to Modern's monthly contest. Please send pictures that are 4 x 5 or larger, and be sure to include your name, address and complete technical data on the reverse side. First class return postage must be enclosed if you want us to return pictures which we cannot use. All prints are considered for use elsewhere in the magazine. Send them to: Columns Editor, Modern Photography, 251 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.

△ THIRD PRIZE \$10. These cats were photographed by Louis Dienes, of New York City. He used Super-XX in his 9 x 12 Voigtlander exposed for cat at left. F/5.6 at 1/10 second.

\$25 FIRST PRIZE. Here's an amusing scene. >
F. B. Grunzweig, of New York City, wandered around an outdoor concert, caught this puffing oboist. Rolleiflex, f/3.5 at 1/25 sec.

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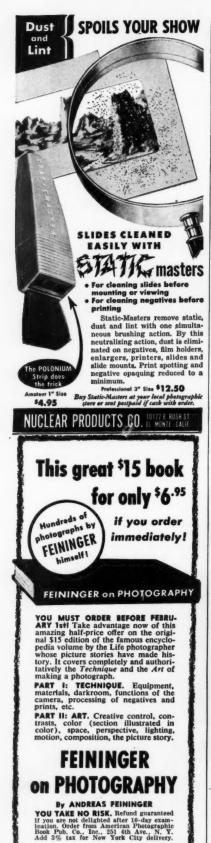
SECOND PRIZE \$15. A long exposure in fading light enabled Yoshinosuke Shimizu, of Tokyo, Japan, to photograph Mt. Fuji at sunset, and obtain a wide range of middle tones. Rolleicord camera. Exposure was at f/8 for 7 min.



THIRD PRIZE \$10. Willy Nusinoff, of Long Beach, N. Y., saw these children from a second story window, put a Hektor 135mm lens on his Leica IIIf camera, shot down into reflected sun's rays. Plux-X, f/11 at 1/100.

THIRD PRIZE \$10. A soft light accenting her face, this girl was photographed by Joseph Nettis, of Philadelphia, Pa. He made this portrait with a Rolleicord camera and Super-XX film. The exposure was by available light at f/3.5 and 1/5 second.

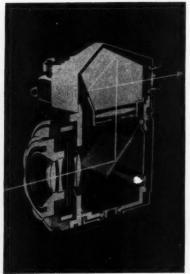






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NEW CONCEPT IN REFLEX CAMERAS; THE 35MM EYE-LEVEL CONTAFLEX



Cutaway drawing of Contaflex shows path of light, optical construction. Both Extrabrite Fresnel field lens and a condensing lens are used under roof prism to produce a brilliant image. Note dark slide, hinged like the reflecting mirror, protecting film while shutter remains open for viewing, focusing. The 35mm single-lens eye-level reflex camera has come into prominence only in the past ten years. It has many advantages over the traditional rangefinder camera—direct focusing on an upright unreversed ground glass image and interchangeability of lenses. It also has had disadvantages. Among them: bulkiness, and the necessity of stopping down the lens manually before the picture is taken if a small stop is to be used.

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New features

The latest eye-level 35mm reflex is the Contaflex, a 45mm, f/2.8 Tessar equipped camera of unusual design which retains many advantages of the eye-level reflex system while eliminating a few of the larger stumbling blocks. The big features of the camera are: a completely automatic diaphragm, a unique variation on the Compur-Rapid shutter, both ground glass and range-finder focusing; an extremely brilliant viewing image and exceptional compactness in construction.

With the film and shutter wound, you can look through the large eyepiece at the back of the camera and view the picture. The image is quite large and very brilliant. In the middle of the ground

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glass is a circular area incorporating an outside ring and an inside circle bisected with a horizontal line.

When you turn the knurled lens mount which revolves the front element of the lens (see picture, top opposite page), you can focus on the ground glass within the outer ring or by the aid of the split image rangefinder which occupies the inner circle. (Pictures, bottom of this page.)

Unlike all other eye-level reflex cameras, however, focusing can only be done in the circle. The rest of the image as seen through the view finder is constantly sharp no matter the footage setting. The "Extrabrite" field lens, which is partially responsible for the brilliant image, produces concentric lines throughout the viewing field except within the focusing circle. These lines, however, are not as pronounced as found in many field lenses and don't seem to disturb either focusing or the quality of the viewed image to any appreciable degree.

How it works

To take a picture, you move the lever (top of page 110 seen under the "n" in Contaflex) to the lens opening you want. You set the speed by turning the milled ring around the shutter mount. When you press the shutter release atop the film winding knob, a great many things happen in extremely short order. The camera shutter is closed (it has to be opened to permit focusing-this is done automatically as the film is wound); the light-tight dark-slide (which protects the film from exposure to light while the lens is open for focusing) and the reflecting mirror are moved upward out of the path of light rays from the lens; the lens diaphragm is closed to the pre-set f/value; the shutter opens for the exposure and then closes. All this occurs within approximately 1/50th sec.

Amazingly, the Contaflex examined by Modern performed all these functions with a sharp, but not excessively loud single click-quite a feat of mechanical engineering.

When you wind the film to the next exposure, the camera is reset. The dark slide returns to position of protecting the slide, the shutter is cocked, the diaphragm returns to full open (f/2.8) position and the blades of the shutter open to allow focusing.

Other features

Other features of the camera are: M-X synch, speeds from 1 sec. to 1/500 sec., die cast light metal construction with leather covering and satin chrome trim, and removable back. The Contaflex will accept standard film cartridges or two Contax film cassettes which make film rewinding unnecessary.

Lenses are not interchangeable on the Contaflex. There is no provision for see-

ing the actual depth of field of our intended picture by stopping the lens down to the necessary aperture before the picture is taken. These, however, will probably be minor considerations to those photographers who want a swiftly operating eye-level reflex camera with a single lens, an easily synchronized shutter, lightness (19 ounces), compactness (when compared to other eye-level reflexes) and a price of \$169.50. The carrying case is \$12.50.

Modern was not able to secure the camera for the required time to put it through the rigorous bench and field tests that should be made before any evaluation of reliability, ruggedness and precision is made. However, in the brief time the camera was in our hands, it worked impressively. The Contaflex may well herald a new approach to the concept of the reflex camera.-H. K.



Rear of Contaflex with back removed. Dark slide is in position. Film chambers accept standard Contax cassettes.





Top: Camera out of focus. Ground glass image in ring is unsharp. Split image rangefinder shows misalignment of girl's body. Bottom: In focus. Ring image sharp, girl's body in alignment.

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THE WINNERS IN GARDEN PHOTO AND MOULIN ROUGE COMPETITIONS

Through the Tulips

Flower growing photographers S. William Riley (Akron, Ohio) and Mrs. Sylvia Bergel (Flushing, N. Y.) were top winners, for color and black-and-white respectively, in the \$75,000 Garden Photo Contest, announced in Modern back in October, 1952. Sponsored by the Associated Bulb Growers of Holland, the contest had novel rules. Competitors had to grow their own flowers—daffodils, tulips, and other spring blossoms—from bulbs. When these bloomed, in the spring of 1953, the patient gardeners turned photographers, and went to work with camera, film, and ideas.

Making photographs in the local park or botanical garden was prohibited; all pictures submitted to the contest *had* to be contestant planted and nurtured.

Entries came from all parts of the U. S., and over 18,000 contestants proved they had extremely green—as well as photographic—thumbs.

In addition to first prize winners Riley and Bergel, Floyd Lewis (Hollis, N. Y.) and Mrs. Edna K. Harden (Erie, Pa.) captured second prize honors. Both Riley, who won first place for his 35mm color shot of a single tulip, and Mrs. Bergel, whose black-and-white winning shot of her son sniffing a daffodil is reproduced below, will make trips to



Joseph Long, Jackson Heights, N. Y., won first place in the *Moulin Rouge* contest for his abstract in Ansco color.

Holland this spring during tulip blossoming time. Winners Lewis and Harden (color and black-and-white respectively) have each been awarded a Gerritsen and van Kempen silver coffee and tea service. Leerdam crystal, Royal Delft pottery, and imported Holland bulbs were among the more than 1,000 additional prizes awarded in the contest.

Judging the entries were T. H. Everett (New York Botanical Garden), Mrs. J. J. Nicholson (National Tulip Society), Professor L. R. Quinlan (National Council of State Garden Clubs), Walter Roozen (Associated Bulb Growers of Holland), Jesse L. Strauss (Men's Garden Clubs of America), Philip Surrey (Weekend Picture Magazine of Montreal), Lowell Thomas (CBS newscaster), and Jacquelyn Judge (Editor of Modern Photography).

Street Scenes and Moulin Rouge

Of fifty winners in the Moulin Rouge contest (Modern, April, 1953), Joseph E. Long, of Jackson Heights, N. Y.; Allan Turoff, Riverdale, N. Y.; and Harold Grossman, Elmhurst, N. Y. topped the list in first through third prizes respectively. Sponsored by United Artists and Modern, the contest netted nearly 3.000 entries, distributed \$1,200 worth of prizes.

The requirements: shoot anything in sight of a theater which was playing United Artists' film, Moulin Rouge. Any street scene within eyeshot of the marquee could be entered. The results a great variety of subject matter from pigeons and shoeshine boys to pedestrians and parking lots. Worth noting is that with the exception of the first prize (above), an abstract in color of Times

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Capturing first prize in the black-and-white division of the Garden Photo Contest was this close-up photograph made by Mrs. Sylvia Bergel, of Flushing, New York.



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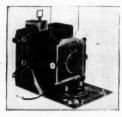
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CREATIVE CROPPING

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not take the full negative. At first I was unhappy because the care I had taken in composing on the ground glass of my Graflex seemed wasted, but soon I was enjoying cropping too much to worry or feel guilty about it. There were so many variations possible in one negative.

Many interests have contributed to my ideas on cropping. The four major ones are: the fashion magazines, films, art magazines, and painting itself. Such men as Alexander Liberman, Art Director of Vogue, and Alexey Brodovitch, of Harper's Bazaar, have a refined sense of layout and a genuine feeling for photography. They have done much to bring a sense of the creative to cropping. In films, the works of such directors as Eisenstein and Drever have, of course, much more to offer than mere cropping ideas. Nevertheless, such films as Potemkin with its exciting closeups of heads and Joan of Arc with its classically composed frames are rich in such material. Art magazines and books are full of blowups of particular details of parts of paintings. When you see them, you become aware of subtle textures and relationships of forms which tend to be lost in the complexity of a whole composition. Finally, since I am a painter, I have spent a great deal of time working on problems of space and the manipulation of shapes, watching the changes that occur when a slight movement or change in rhythm affects the whole spirit of a work.

I crop different photographs for different reasons. I do not believe cropping is necessarily a correction of the original intention of the picture (though there are times when I will concentrate on an interesting portion of an otherwise bad negative). Even when a print of the whole negative is satisfactory, I still may go on to do variations using only sections of the negative. For me, cropping is likely to be an intensification of a mood or a compositional element.

Cropping is personal

My attitude toward cropping is largely an outgrowth of my own approach to photography. A large part of my work concerns itself with the psychological. I try to express in my photographs, as intensely as possible, the inner life of people. In the desire to heighten a mood, I will change the composition. When a face expresses anxiety, a dissonant composition will accent and complement such a mood. The space surrounding a figure will, when cropped in a certain way, achieve a dramatic life of its owna photograph can be a figure set in space or a figure involved in a kind of struggle with space. Thus, a background is not always a background but can achieve a life of its own within the photograph.

Sometimes my croppings are dictated by the compositional elements of a photograph and I will superimpose an unusual shape not ordinarily associated with a photograph. I find it hard to accept the manufacturer's shapes as the most aesthetically satisfying. I cannot understand why a photographer who works with an 8x10 should limit his seeing to that size. I do understand the discipline involved in working with one particular proportion—such as the 35mm—and at times I welcome the discipline, but I do not feel the shape is inviolable. I discover that at times one particular shape will appeal to me for a long period. Today it may be a long thin shape, a month from now, a square. But I do not choose shapes merely because they are bizarre. They must have a connection with the particular thing I am trying to express.

At times I use cropping to call attention to a particular gesture, so that the photograph becomes not merely a photograph of a person, but of a gesture. Often the relationship between the gesture of hands of an expression on the face will



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lead to such a cropping. Because of my interest in eyes, I have a number of photographs cropped to call attention to them. In these photographs, tops of heads, ears and chins usually have to go.

I practice cropping by working with reject prints and even cropping photographs other than my own which I find in magazines.

A word of caution: there are times when an unusual cropping is out of place or meaningless. A dull photograph becomes ridiculous when cropped in a strange way. There must be a relationship between the photographer's sense of content and his sense of cropping.

I do not mean, in these comments, to give the impression that the photographer should rely completely on his cropping. Cropping can be a stimulating experience which will give certain effects otherwise unobtainable. It will improve your ability to see with a camera. Essentially a photographer must rely on his ability to see. His progress in photography will be measured by the development and intensification of his seeing. Cropping is not the only way to do this. But it is a valuable and creative tool, too often ignored.—THE END.

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there's talk of a bull fight. Written by an amateur matador, La Fiesta Brava describes in brief text and many pictures the seven acts of a fightthe doubling, capework, pic-ing, quites, banderillos, faena, and kill. The components of the spectacle, the bull, performers, their costumery, and the crowd, all are discussed in detail. There's a chapter on the great matadors, another on when and where to see the fights. A glossary is included.



The matador Litri (photo by Cano).

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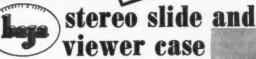


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Projection heat tends to accelerate color fading. With a well designed slide projector, the fading will be imperceptible if the slide is left in from 30 seconds to 2 minutes. However, if you make a habit of leaving slides in the projector for 5 minutes or longer, your slides may fade. Never remove the heat-absorbing glass in your projector nor use a stronger than recommended lamp.

Outside dirt on glass bound slides can be removed with a damp cloth. If fingerprints or other smudges get on an unbound transparency, they can often be removed by breathing on the transparency and then wiping it carefully with a soft cloth.

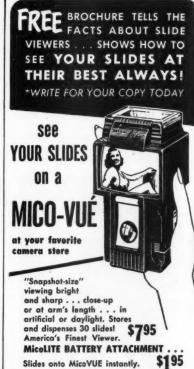
If this is not successful try cleaning Kodachrome transparencies with Kodak Film Cleaner, or Ansco Color transparencies with carbon tetrachloride. Use sparingly on a wad of cotton with light, even strokes.

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After the lacquer removal the transparency can be recoated with Kodak Film Lacquer according to directions furnished with the lacquer.

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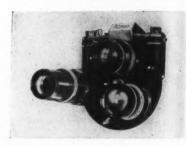
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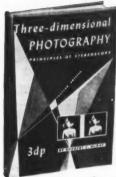
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In addition to Long. who won the Leica IIIf; Turoff, who was awarded a Bolex L-8 movie camera; and Grossman, who received a Bolsey B-2 35mm camera; Shigeto Mazawa, Chicago, won the fourth prize, a DeJur 8mm Citation cam-



Shigeto Mazawa, of Chicago, won fourth place with this shot. He also took both twenty-second and twenty-ninth prizes.

era. In fifth place, Capt. Don Julin, Washington, D. C., won a TDC Model D 35mm slide projector. Sixth, seventh, and eighth place winners R. B. Ferguson, Palo Alto, Calif.; Ken Ross, Memphis, Tenn.; and Farrell Grehan, New York, each were awarded a Da-Lite Challenger movie screen. Robert Conradt. Woodmont, Conn., in ninth place, won a Hermes Rocket typewriter. Tenth place winner Rev. James Schlich, Louisville, Ky., was awarded a Zephyr 35mm slide cabinet, and in eleventh place, William Leonhardt, New York City, won a Leica 35mm Bindomat.

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If your shutter was designed for type F (gas filled) bulbs, it will have a 5 millisecond delay between the time the contacts close and the blades are fully open. Unless the speed light has a builtin delay relay (an electrical switch) to match the shutter delay, they won't work together. It is possible to add such a delay to some units, as an accessory.

If the shutter has only a 20 millisecond delay (for ordinary wire filled flashbulbs) you are going to have trouble getting accurate speed light synch. It's possible to build in a 20 millisecond delay relay, but it is likely to be erratic in operation. It's better to have the shutter modified to zero delay.

It's easy to check whether or not your camera shutter will synchronize with a particular unit. The camera must have no film in it. Connect the flash to the shutter contacts. Open the camera back; also open the diaphragm wide, set the

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If the back of the camera does not open (as in Leicas and similar cameras) shutter curtain openings can be checked in the following manner. Remove the lens and flash the speed light into the camera body through the lens mount opening. The position of the shutter curtains at the moment of flash should be easy to see. A thin white card, inserted where the film ordinarily would be, will show up the black curtains even more clearly and is most helpful.

How's the reflector?

This often neglected part determines to a large degree how effective photographically the light output will be. It should be sturdy, securely fastened to the bracket. Be shy of flimsy reflectors made of soft aluminum alloys which bend at a moderate touch. Dishpan type reflectors are wasteful of light; the lamp should be fairly deeply seated in the housing so that its light is properly focused. Reflectors designed for ordinary flashbulbs, which are adapted to speed light use, are notoriously in-

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Some of the old ultra high speed units are still floating around the used equipment market. Unless you have need for such flash speeds, they may be less satisfactory, photographically, than modern units with longer flash duration.

Some general considerations

It is good practice to buy only such electrical apparatus that has the Underwriters' Laboratories (UL) seal of approval. However the UL are concerned mainly with equipment operating on house current, so don't go looking for their seal on battery powered portables. It should be on any straight 110 volt A. C. units, however.

Remember that you may have to lug around a flash unit for hours on an assignment. Is it really portable? How heavy is it after 10 minutes?

Does it look like a worthwhile piece of mechanism or like something hammered together in the basement? While looks don't make for quality, all the leading speed light manufacturers turn out equipment which looks well and performs well, too.

Inquire of the dealer whether or not any type of guarantee goes with the unit; also whether or not service facilities are available without having to send it to the ends of the earth for repairs, if needed. Look for a good instruction booklet, particularly with guide numbers for color as well as black-and-white.

Finally, look in your pocketbook; if you can't afford the right unit just now, start saving for it.-THE END.

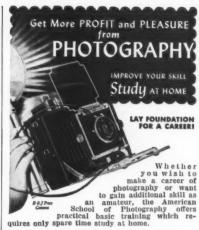
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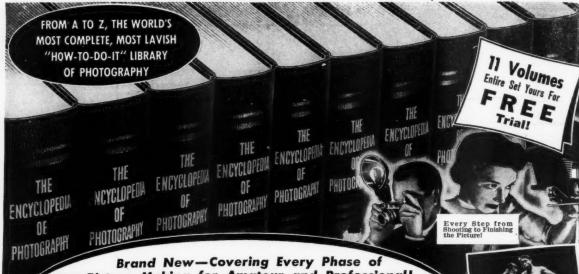


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